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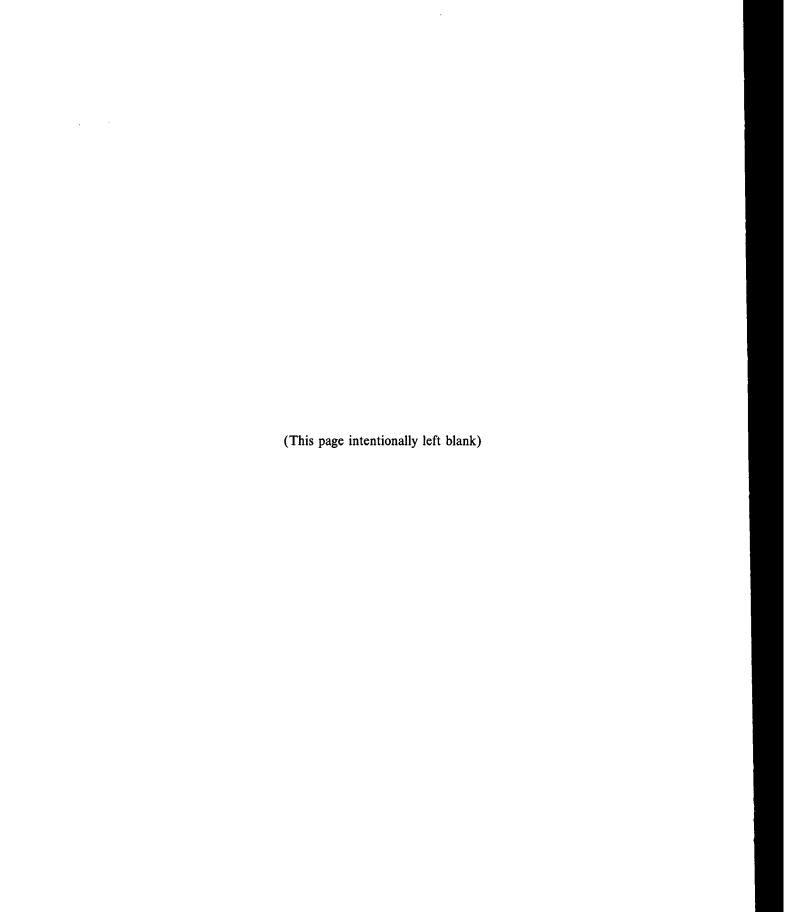
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Except where the context suggests otherwise, the terms "Crystal River," "we," "us" and "our" refer to Crystal River Capital, Inc. and its subsidiaries; "Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River" and "our Manager" refer to our external manager, Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River Capital Advisors, LLC; "Hyperion Brookfield" refers to Hyperion Brookfield Asset Management, Inc., the parent company of Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River; "Brookfield Sub-Advisor" refers to Brookfield Crystal River Capital L.P., a sub-advisor that has been retained by us and Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River; "Brookfield" refers to Brookfield Asset Management Inc., formerly known as Brascan Corporation, the indirect parent company of Hyperion Brookfield and Brookfield Sub-Advisor, together with its subsidiaries; and "Ranieri & Co." refers to Ranieri & Co., Inc., another sub-advisor that has been retained by us and Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River.



#### SELECTED HISTORICAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

In the table below, we provide you with selected historical consolidated financial information of Crystal River Capital, Inc. We have prepared this information as of and for the period ended December 31, 2005 using our consolidated financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2005, which have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm. We have prepared this information for the period ended June 30, 2005 and as of and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2006 using our unaudited consolidated financial statements for such periods. The financial statements for the periods ended June 30, 2005 and as of and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2006 have not been audited. In the opinion of management, such financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as our audited consolidated financial statements and reflect all adjustments, consisting of normal accruals, necessary for a fair presentation of the data for such periods. Results for the periods ended June 30, 2005 and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2006 are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for the entire year.

When you read this selected historical consolidated financial information, it is important that you read along with it the historical consolidated financial statements and related notes, as well as the section titled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" which are included in this annual report.

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		(	In th	nous	ands, except	share	and per sl	hare	data)	
Consolidated Income Statement Data:							•			
Net interest income: Interest income	\$	79,594 48,425		\$	15,808 7,645	\$	86,263 60,276	\$	15,095 \$ 7,542	45,293 31,425
Net interest income		31,169			8,163		25,987	_	7,553	13,868
		01,100			0,100		20,007	_	7,555	13,000
Expenses:  Management fees, related party (1)		5,448			2,069		3,312		1,749	1,635
Professional fees		2,205			723		1,514		682	753
Insurance expense		250			90		190		77	99
Other general and administrative										
expenses (2)		533			457		485		148	249
Total expenses		8,436			3,339		5,501		2,656	2,736
Income before other										
revenues (expenses)		22,733			4,824		20,486		4,897	11,132
Other revenues (expenses):										
Realized net loss on sale of real estate loans and										
securities available for sale		(521)			_		(1,668)			(1,100)
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives		(2.407)			(4,370)		7 440		/4 EGE \	(401)
Loss on impairment of available for sale		(2,497)			(4,370)		7,449		(4,565)	(481)
securities		(5,782)					(6,924)		_	(5,666)
Foreign currency exchange							4.075			
gain		15			(17)		1,875			2,066
Other		15			(17)		234		(17)	57
Total other revenues (expenses)		(8,785)			(4,387)		966		(4,582)	(5,124)
Net income	\$	13,948		\$	437	\$	21,452	\$	315 \$	6,008
Net income per share — basic and diluted	\$	0.80		\$	0.02	\$	1.22	\$	0.02 \$	0.34
shares outstanding — basic and diluted	17	,487,500		17,	,487,500	17,	,511,937	17	7,487,500	17,528,607
common share	\$	1.55		\$	0.25	\$	1.45	\$	0.25 \$	0.725

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes \$627, \$232, \$475, \$199 and \$253, respectively, of stock based compensation.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes \$81, \$35, \$179, \$30 and \$63, respectively, of stock based compensation.

	December 31, 2005	June 30, 2006
	(In thous	ands)
Consolidated Balance Sheet Data:		
Total assets	\$2,669,769	\$3,148,945
Debt — Repurchase agreements	1,994,287	2,496,730
Debt — Collateralized debt obligations	227,500	210,903
Debt — Notes payable, related party	35,000	
Stockholders' equity		373,602

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes to those statements included elsewhere in this annual report. Historical results set forth are not necessarily indicative of our future financial position and results of operations.

#### Overview

We are a specialty finance company formed on January 25, 2005 by Hyperion Brookfield to invest in real estate-related securities and various other asset classes. We commenced operations in March 2005. We have elected and qualified to be taxed as a REIT for federal income tax purposes commencing with our taxable year ended December 31, 2005 and expect to qualify as a REIT in subsequent tax years. We invest in financial assets and intend to construct an investment portfolio that is leveraged where appropriate to seek to achieve attractive risk-adjusted returns and that is structured to comply with the various federal income tax requirements for REIT status and to qualify for an exclusion from regulation under the Investment Company Act. Our current focus is on the following asset classes:

- Real estate-related securities, principally RMBS and CMBS;
- · Whole mortgage loans, bridge loans, B Notes and mezzanine loans; and
- · Other ABS, including CDOs, and consumer ABS.

We completed a private offering of 17,400,000 shares of our common stock in March 2005 in which we raised net proceeds of approximately \$405.6 million. We have fully invested the proceeds from the March 2005 private offering and, as of June 30, 2006, have a portfolio of RMBS and other alternative investments of approximately \$2.8 billion. In addition, we completed our initial public offering, which we refer to as our IPO, on August 2, 2006. In our IPO, we sold 7,500,000 shares of our common stock and raised net proceeds of approximately \$162.4 million after commissions but before other offering expenses. As of September , 2006, we had fully invested the proceeds from our IPO. We are externally managed by Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River. Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hyperion Brookfield.

We earn revenues and generate cash through our investments. We use a substantial amount of leverage to seek to enhance our returns. We finance each of our investments with different degrees of leverage. The cost of borrowings to finance our investments comprises a significant portion of our operating expenses. Our net income will depend, in large part, on our ability to control this particular operating expense in relation to our revenues.

A variety of industry and economic factors may impact our financial condition and operating performance. These factors include:

- interest rate trends,
- rates of prepayment on mortgages underlying our MBS,
- · credit trends in RMBS and our commercial real estate investments,
- · competition, and
- · other market developments.

In addition, a variety of factors relating to our business may also impact our financial condition and operating performance. These factors include:

- · our leverage,
- · our access to funding and borrowing capacity,
- · our borrowing costs,
- · our hedging activities,
- · the market value of our investments, and
- REIT requirements and the requirements to qualify for an exemption from regulation under the Investment Company Act.

#### **Our Business Model**

Our net interest income is generated primarily from the net spread, or difference, between the interest income we earn on our investment portfolio and the cost of our borrowings and hedging activities. Our net interest income will vary based upon, among other things, the difference between the interest rates earned on our various interest-earning assets and the borrowing costs of the liabilities used to finance those investments. Other than our investments in RMBS, we generally attempt to match fund our assets in order to match the maturity of the investments with the maturity of the financing sources used to make such investments. Although we do not match fund Agency ARMS due to their average 30 year maturities, we utilize interest rate swaps to hedge much of our interest rate exposure in our other MBS investments. In CDO financings, match funding is more likely as the cash flows from the collateral pool pays the interest on the debt securities issued by the CDO and interest rate swaps are utilized to convert fixed interest obligations to floating rate obligations inherent in the instruments comprising the collateral pool.

We anticipate that, for any period during which our assets are not match-funded, such assets could reprice more slowly than the corresponding liabilities. Consequently, changes in interest rates, particularly short-term interest rates, may significantly influence our net income. Increases in these rates could tend to decrease our net income and the market value of our assets, and could possibly result in operating losses for us or limit or eliminate our ability to make distributions to our stockholders.

The yield on our assets may be affected by a difference between the actual prepayment rates and our projections. Prepayments on loans and securities may be influenced by changes in market interest rates and a variety of economic, geographic and other factors beyond our control, and consequently, such prepayment rates cannot be predicted with certainty. To the extent we have acquired assets at a premium or discount, a change in prepayment rates may impact our anticipated yield. Under certain interest rate and prepayment scenarios we may fail to recoup fully our cost of acquisition of certain assets.

In periods of declining interest rates, prepayments on our investments, including our RMBS, will likely increase. If we are unable to reinvest the proceeds of such prepayments at comparable yields, our net interest income may suffer. In periods of rising interest rates, prepayment rates on our investments, including our RMBS, will likely slow, causing the expected lives of these investments to increase. This may cause our net interest income to decrease as our borrowing and hedging costs rise while our interest income on those assets remain constant.

While we use hedging to mitigate some of our interest rate risk, we do not hedge all of our exposure to changes in interest rates and prepayment rates, as there are practical limitations to our ability to insulate the portfolio from all of the negative consequences associated with changes in short-term interest rates while still seeking to provide an attractive net spread on our portfolio.

In addition, our returns will be affected by the credit performance of our non-agency investments. If credit losses on our investments or the loans underlying our investments increase, it may have an adverse affect on our performance.

Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River is entitled to receive a base management fee that is based on the amount of our equity (as defined in the management agreement), regardless of the performance of our portfolio. Accordingly, the payment of our management fee is a fixed cost and will not decline in the event of a decline in our profitability and may lead us to incur losses.

#### **Trends**

We believe the following trends may also affect our business:

Rising interest rate environment — interest rates have recently increased and could continue to do so in the future. With respect to our existing MBS portfolio, which is heavily concentrated in 3/1 and 5/1 hybrid adjustable rate RMBS, we believe that such interest rate increases could result in decreases in our net interest income, as there is a timing mismatch between the reset dates on our MBS portfolio and the financing of these investments. We currently have invested and intend to continue to invest in hybrid adjustable-rate RMBS which are based on mortgages with interest rate caps. The financing of these RMBS is short term in nature and does not include the benefit of an interest rate cap. This mismatch could result in a decrease in our net interest income if rates increase sharply after the initial fixed rate period and our interest cost increases more than the interest rate earned on our RMBS due to the related interest rate caps. With respect to our existing and future floating rate investments, we believe such interest rate increases could result in increases in our net interest income because our floating rate assets are greater in amount than the related liabilities. Similarly, we believe such an increase in interest rates could generally result in an increase in our net interest income on future fixed rate investments made by us because our fixed rate assets would be greater in amount than our liabilities. However, we would expect that our fixed rate assets would decline in value in a rising interest rate environment and our net interest spreads on fixed rate assets could decline in a rising interest rate environment to the extent they are financed with floating rate debt. We have engaged in interest rate swaps to hedge a significant portion of the risk associated with increases in interest rates. However, because we do not hedge 100% of the amount of short-term financing outstanding, increases in interest rates could result in a decline in the value of our portfolio, net of hedges. Similarly, decreases in interest rates could result in an increase in the value of our portfolio.

Flattening yield curve — short term interest rates have been increasing at a greater rate than longer term interest rates. For example, between June 30, 2005 and June 30, 2006, the yield on the three-month U.S. treasury bill increased by 186 basis points, while the yield on the three-year U.S. treasury note increased by only 148 basis points. With respect to our MBS portfolio, we believe that a continued flattening of the shape of the yield curve should result in decreases in our net interest income, as the financing of our MBS investments is usually shorter in term than the fixed rate period of our MBS portfolio, which is heavily weighted towards 3/1 and 5/1 hybrid adjustable rate RMBS. Similarly, we believe that a steepening of the shape of the yield curve should result in increases in our net interest income. A flattening of the shape of the yield curve results in a smaller gap

between the rate we pay on the swaps and rate we receive. Furthermore, a continued flattening of the shape of the yield curve should result in a decrease in our hedging costs, since we pay a fixed rate and receive a floating rate under the terms of our swap agreements. Similarly, a steepening of the shape of the yield curve should result in an increase in our hedging costs.

Prepayment rates — as interest rates increase, we believe that prepayment rates are likely to fall. Prepayment rates generally increase when interest rates fall and decrease when interest rates rise, but changes in prepayment rates are difficult to predict. Prepayment rates also may be affected by other factors, including, without limitation, conditions in the housing and financial markets, general economic conditions and the relative interest rates on adjustable-rate and fixed-rate mortgage loans. If interest rates continue to increase, we believe that MBS prepayment rates would be likely to fall. If interest rates begin to fall, triggering an increase in prepayment rates, our current portfolio, which is heavily weighted towards hybrid adjustable-rate mortgages, would cause decreases in our net interest income relating to our MBS portfolio.

Competition — we expect to face increased competition for our targeted investments. However, we expect that the size and growth of the market for these investments will continue to provide us with a variety of investment opportunities. In addition, we believe that bank lenders will continue their historical lending practices, requiring low loan-to-value ratios and high debt service coverages, which will provide opportunities to lenders like us to provide corporate mezzanine financing.

For a discussion of additional risks relating to our business see "— Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Risk."

## **Critical Accounting Policies**

Our financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, or U.S. GAAP. These accounting principles require us to make some complex and subjective decisions and assessments. Our most critical accounting policies involve decisions and assessments that could affect our reported assets and liabilities, as well as our reported revenues and expenses. We believe that all of the decisions and assessments upon which our financial statements are based were reasonable at the time made based upon information available to us at that time. We rely on the experience of Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River's management and its analysis of historical and current market data in order to arrive at what we believe to be reasonable estimates. See Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements contained elsewhere herein for a complete discussion of our accounting policies. Under different conditions, we could report materially different amounts arising under these critical accounting policies. We have identified our most critical accounting policies to be the following:

#### Investment Consolidation

For each investment we make we evaluate the underlying entity that issued the securities we acquired or to which we made a loan in order to determine the appropriate accounting. We refer to guidance in Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities ("SFAS 140"), and FASB Interpretation No. (FIN) 46R, Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, in performing our analysis. FIN 46R addresses the application of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51, Consolidated Financial Statements, to certain entities in which voting rights are not effective in identifying an investor with a controlling financial interest. An entity is subject to consolidation under FIN 46R if the investors either do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance

its activities without additional subordinated financial support, are unable to direct the entity's activities, or are not exposed to the entity's losses or entitled to its residual returns ("variable interest entities" or "VIEs"). Variable interest entities within the scope of FIN 46R are required to be consolidated by their primary beneficiary. The primary beneficiary of a VIE is determined to be the party that absorbs a majority of the VIE's expected losses, receives the majority of the VIE's expected returns, or both.

Our ownership of the subordinated classes of CMBS and RMBS from a single issuer may provide us with the right to control the foreclosure / workout process on the underlying loans, which we refer to as the Controlling Class CMBS and RMBS. There are certain exceptions to the scope of FIN 46R, one of which provides that an investor that holds a variable interest in a qualifying special-purpose entity ("QSPE") is not required to consolidate that entity unless the investor has the unilateral ability to cause the entity to liquidate. SFAS 140 sets forth the requirements for an entity to qualify as a QSPE. To maintain the QSPE exception, the special-purpose entity must initially meet the QSPE criteria and must continue to satisfy such criteria in subsequent periods. A special-purpose entity's QSPE status can be impacted in future periods by activities undertaken by its transferor(s) or other involved parties, including the manner in which certain servicing activities are performed. To the extent that our CMBS or RMBS investments were issued by a special-purpose entity that meets the QSPE requirements, we record those investments at the purchase price paid. To the extent the underlying special-purpose entities do not satisfy the QSPE requirements, we follow the guidance set forth in FIN 46R as the special-purpose entities would be determined to be VIEs.

We have analyzed the pooling and servicing agreements governing each of our Controlling Class CMBS and RMBS investments and we believe that the terms of those agreements are industry standard and are consistent with the QSPE criteria. However, there is uncertainty with respect to QSPE treatment for those special-purpose entities due to ongoing review by regulators and accounting standard setters (including the FASB's project to amend SFAS 140 and the recently added FASB project on servicer discretion in a QSPE), potential actions by various parties involved with the QSPE (discussed in the paragraph above) and varying and evolving interpretations of the QSPE criteria under SFAS 140. We also have evaluated each of our Controlling Class CMBS and RMBS investments as if the special-purpose entities that issued such securities are not QSPEs. Using the fair value approach to calculate expected losses or residual returns, we have concluded that we would not be the primary beneficiary of any of the underlying special-purpose entities. Additionally, the standard setters continue to review the FIN 46R provisions related to the computations used to determine the primary beneficiary of VIEs. Future guidance from regulators and standard setters may require us to consolidate the special-purpose entities that issued the CMBS and RMBS in which we have invested as described in the section titled "Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted" in Note 2 to our June 30, 2006 consolidated financial statements included elsewhere herein.

Our maximum exposure to loss as a result of our investment in these QSPEs totaled \$325,196 as of June 30, 2006.

#### Revenue Recognition

The most significant source of our revenue comes from interest income on our securities and loan investments. Interest income on loans and securities investments is recognized over the life of the investment using the effective interest method. Mortgage loans will generally be originated or purchased at or near par value and interest income will be recognized based on the contractual terms of the debt instrument. Any loan fees or acquisition costs on originated loans will be deferred and recognized over the term of the loan as an adjustment to the yield. Interest income on MBS is recognized on the effective interest method as required by EITF 99-20, Recognition of Interest Income and Impairment on Purchased and Retained Beneficial Interests in

Securitized Financial Assets. Under EITF 99-20, management estimates, at the time of purchase, the future expected cash flows and determines the effective interest rate based on these estimated cash flows and our purchase prices. Subsequent to the purchase and on a quarterly basis, these estimated cash flows are updated and a revised yield is calculated based on the current amortized cost of the investment. In estimating these cash flows, there are a number of assumptions that are subject to uncertainties and contingencies. These include the rate and timing of principal payments (including prepayments, repurchases, defaults and liquidations), the pass through or coupon rate and interest rate fluctuations. In addition, interest payment shortfalls have to be estimated due to delinquencies on the underlying mortgage loans and the timing and magnitude of credit losses on the mortgage loans underlying the securities. These uncertainties and contingencies are difficult to predict and are subject to future events that may impact management's estimates and our interest income. When current period cash flow estimates are lower than the previous period and fair value is less than an asset's carrying value, we will write down the asset to fair market value and record an impairment charge in current period earnings.

Through its extensive experience in investing in MBS, Hyperion Brookfield has developed models based on historical data in order to estimate the lifetime prepayment speeds and lifetime credit losses for pools of mortgage loans. The models are based primarily on loan characteristics, such as loan-to-value ratios (LTV), credit scores, loan type, loan rate, property type, etc., and also include other qualitative factors such as the loan originator and servicer. For credit losses, the models also assume a certain level of stress to prevailing employment rates and housing prices. Once the models have been used to project the base case prepayment speeds and to project the base case cumulative loss, those outputs are used to create yield estimates and to project cash flows.

Since mortgage assets amortize over long periods of time (*i.e.*, 30 years in the case of RMBS assets or 10 years in the case of CMBS assets), the expected lifetime prepayment experience and the expected lifetime credit losses projected by the models are subject to modification in light of actual experience assessed from time to time. For each of the purchased mortgage pools, our Manager tracks the actual monthly prepayment experience and the monthly loss experience, if any. To the extent that the actual performance trend over a 6-12 month period of time does not reasonably approximate the expected lifetime trend, in consideration of the seasoning of the asset, our Manager will make adjustments to the assumptions and revise yield estimates and projected cash flows.

The following hypothetical example reflects the impact of a change in the historical prepayment experience:

Assumptions:

Price = 101.75% of par Current Face = \$1,000,000 Investment at cost =\$1,017,500

Constant Prepayment Rate		Yield	Annual Income	Percent Difference
6%		5.54%	\$57,129.30	14 %
15%		5.09%	\$52,481.09	5 %
20%		4.85%	\$49,978.37	0 %
40%	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	3.97%	\$40,754.16	(18)%
60%	*******************	3.06%	\$31,394.35	(37)%

#### Loan Loss Provisions

We purchase and originate mezzanine loans and commercial mortgage loans to be held as long-term investments. We evaluate each of these loans for possible impairment on a quarterly basis. Impairment occurs when it is deemed probable that we will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan. Upon determination of impairment, we will establish a reserve for loan losses and a corresponding charge to earnings through the provision for loan losses. Significant judgments are required in determining impairment, which include assumptions regarding the value of the real estate or partnership interests that secure the mortgage loans.

#### Valuations of MBS and ABS

Our MBS and ABS have fair values as determined with reference to price estimates provided by independent pricing services and dealers in the securities. Different judgments and assumptions used in pricing could result in different presentations of value.

When the fair value of an available-for-sale security is less than its amortized cost for an extended period, we consider whether there is an other-than-temporary impairment in the value of the security. If, in our judgment, an other-than-temporary impairment exists, the cost basis of the security is written down to the then-current fair value, and the unrealized loss is transferred from accumulated other comprehensive loss as an immediate reduction of current earnings (as if the loss had been realized in the period of other-than-temporary impairment). The determination of other-than-temporary impairment is a subjective process, and different judgments and assumptions could affect the timing of loss realization.

We consider the following factors when determining an other-than-temporary impairment for a security or investment:

- The length of time and the extent to which the market value has been less than the amortized cost:
- Whether the security has been downgraded by a rating agency; and
- Our intent to hold the security for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in market value.

Periodically, all available for sale securities are evaluated for other than temporary impairment in accordance with SFAS No. 115, Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities ("SFAS 115"), and Emerging Issues Task Force No. 99-20, Recognition of Interest Income and Impairment on Purchased and Retained Beneficial Interest in Securitized Financial Assets ("EITF 99-20"). An impairment that is an "other than temporary impairment" is a decline in the fair value of an investment below its amortized cost attributable to factors that indicate the decline will not be recovered over the investment's remaining life. Other than temporary impairments result in reducing the security's carrying value to its fair value through the statement of income, which also creates a new carrying value for the investment. We compute a revised yield based on the future estimated cash flows as described in "— Revenue Recognition" above. Significant judgments are required in determining impairment, which include making assumptions regarding the estimated prepayments, loss assumptions and the changes in interest rates.

The determination of other than temporary impairment is made at least quarterly. If we determine an impairment to be other than temporary we will need to realize a loss that would have an impact on future income. At June 30, 2006, our overall intent was to replace lower-coupon or

lower-yielding Agency ARMS with higher yielding securities. In evaluating which securities were to be sold, we considered:

- · the length of the time to reset;
- · securities whose value had declined by more than an immaterial amount;
- · the coupon rate of the security; and
- the book yield of the security.

In our analysis at June 30, 2006, we established as thresholds:

- 45 or fewer months remaining to rate reset;
- market price declines in excess of 1.50%;
- · securities bearing a coupon rate under 4.80%; and
- · securities with book yields less than 4.30%.

These criteria were established based on our Manager's review of our investment portfolio and its determination that these criteria provided a pool of securities to be sold that would produce an acceptable proportionate increase in income yield for our portfolio. Two mitigating factors that we considered in evaluating the foregoing criteria were whether a security was subject to a reverse repurchase agreement with a sufficiently distant settlement date that would preclude such a sale in the near term, for practical, hedging and economic reasons, and whether we agreed with the quoted market value for such securities. With the passage of time, as we periodically review the performance of our portfolio, our investment strategy in light of market conditions and our liquidity requirements and available sources of liquidity, the criteria we utilize to determine impairment under SFAS 115 may change. At any measurement date, securities that satisfy all of our impairment criteria that we do not intend to hold until we recover their amortized cost or until maturity would be deemed to be other than temporarily impaired.

Under the guidance provided by SFAS 115, a security is impaired when its fair value is less than its amortized cost and we do not intend to hold that security until we recover its amortized cost or until its maturity. Based on the parameters we utilized in our June 30, 2006 analysis, we identified eight individual securities that were determined to be impaired under the guidance provided by SFAS 115. In connection with the impairment of these eight securities, we recorded impairment charges of \$4.7 million and \$6.0 million in our statement of income for the three months ended June 30, 2006 and the six months ended June 30, 2006, respectively, that was other than temporary as we expect to sell these securities in the near future at a loss. Through September 22, 2006, we have sold the six Agency ARMS and the two CMBS securities that were so impaired. As of June 30, 2006, as part of our periodic surveillance of the underlying value of the collateral securing our CMBS investments, we revalued two of the underlying loans in the collateral securing a CMBS security that resulted in a credit impairment charge for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2006 in the amount of \$0.9 million and \$0.9 million, respectively.

#### Repurchase Agreements

In certain circumstances, we have financed the purchase of securities from a counterparty through a repurchase agreement with the same counterparty pursuant to which we pledge the purchased securities. Currently, we record the acquisition of these securities as assets and the related borrowing under repurchase agreements as financing liabilities on our consolidated balance sheet with changes in the fair value of the securities being recorded as a component of

other comprehensive income in stockholders' equity. Interest income earned on the securities and interest expense incurred on the repurchase obligations are reported separately on our consolidated income statement. As of June 30, 2006 we had three such transactions that were outstanding, and our June 30, 2006 balance sheet included approximately \$13.1 million of such securities and approximately \$10.7 million of such repurchase agreement liabilities.

It has come to our attention and to the attention of other market participants, as well as our repurchase agreement counterparties, that SFAS 140 may require a different accounting treatment for such transactions. Under SFAS 140, transactions in which we acquire securities from a counterparty that are financed through a repurchase agreement with the same counterparty will not qualify as a purchase by us if we are not able to conclude that the securities purchased have been legally isolated from the counterparty. If the acquisitions do not qualify as a purchase of securities under SFAS 140, we would not be permitted to include the securities purchased and repurchase agreements on a gross basis on our balance sheet. Additionally, we would not be able to report on a gross basis on our income statement the related interest income earned and interest expense incurred. Instead, we would be required to present the net investment on our balance sheet together with an embedded derivative with the corresponding change in fair value of the derivative being recorded in our income statement. The value of the derivative would reflect not only changes in the value of the underlying securities, but also changes in the value of the underlying credit provided by the counterparty. Although we believe our accounting for these transactions is appropriate, we will continue to evaluate our position as the interpretation of this issue among industry participants and standard setters evolves.

## Accounting For Derivative Financial Instruments and Hedging Activities

Our policies permit us to enter into derivative contracts, including interest rate swaps and interest rate swap forwards, as a means of mitigating our interest rate risk on forecasted interest expense associated with the benchmark rate on forecasted rollover/reissuance of repurchase agreements, or hedged items, for a specified future time period. We currently intend to use interest rate derivative instruments to mitigate interest rate risk rather than to enhance returns.

At June 30, 2006, we were a party to 45 interest rate swaps with a notional par value of approximately \$1,448.5 million and an intrinsic gain of approximately \$34.5 million. We entered into these interest rate swaps to seek to mitigate our interest rate risk for the specified future time period, which is defined as the term of the swap contracts. Based upon the market value of these interest rate swap contracts, our counterparties may request additional margin collateral or we may request additional collateral from our counterparties to ensure that an appropriate margin account balance is maintained at all times through the expiration of the contracts.

At June 30, 2006, we were a party to one currency swap with a notional par value of approximately Can\$50.0 million and an intrinsic loss of approximately \$0.3 million. We entered into this currency swap to seek to mitigate our currency risk for the specified future time period, which is defined as the term of the swap contract. Based upon the market value of this currency swap contract, our counterparty may request additional margin collateral or we may request additional collateral from our counterparty to ensure that an appropriate margin account balance is maintained at all times through the expiration of the contract.

As of June 30, 2006, we had 11 credit default swaps, or CDS, with a notional par value of \$105.0 million and an intrinsic gain of approximately \$1.4 million. The fair value of the CDS depends on a number of factors, primarily premium levels, which are dependent on interest rate spreads. The CDS contracts are valued using internally developed and tested market-standard

pricing models which calculate the net present value of differences between future premiums on currently quoted market CDS and the contractual future premiums on our CDS contracts.

We account for derivative and hedging activities in accordance with SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, as amended, or SFAS 133. SFAS 133 requires recognizing all derivative instruments as either asset or liabilities in the balance sheet at fair value. The accounting for changes in fair value (i.e., gains or losses) of a derivative instrument depends on whether it has been designated and qualifies as part of a hedging relationship and further, on the type of hedging relationship. For those derivatives instruments that are designated and qualify as hedging instruments, we must designate the hedging instrument, based upon the exposure being hedged, as a fair value hedge, cash flow hedge or a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation. We have no fair value hedges or hedges of a net investment in foreign operations.

For derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as a cash flow hedge (i.e., hedging the exposure to variability in expected future cash flows that is attributable to a particular risk), the effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative instrument is reported as a component of other comprehensive income and reclassified into earnings in the same line item associated with the forecasted transaction in the same period or periods during which the hedged transaction affects earnings (for example, in "interest expense" when the hedged transactions are interest cash flows associated with floating-rate debt). The remaining gain (loss) on the derivative instrument in excess of the cumulative changes in the present value of future cash flows of the hedged item, if any, is recognized in the realized and unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives in current earnings during the period of change. For derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments, the gain or loss is recognized in realized and unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives in the current earnings during the period of change. Income and/or expense from interest rate swaps are recognized as a net adjustment to interest expense. We account for income and expense from interest rate swaps on an accrual basis over the period to which the payment and/or receipt relates.

#### Share-Based Payment

We account for share-based compensation issued to members of our board of directors, our Manager and certain of our senior executives using the fair value based methodology in accordance with SFAS No. 123R, Accounting for Stock Based Compensation ("SFAS 123R"). We do not have any employees, although we believe that members of our Board of Directors are deemed to be employees for purposes of interpreting and applying accounting principles relating to share-based compensation. We record as compensation costs the restricted common stock that we issued to members of our board of directors at fair value as of the grant date and we amortize the cost into expense over the three-year vesting period using the straight-line method. We recorded compensation costs for restricted common stock and common stock options that we issued to our Manager and that were reallocated to employees of our Manager and its affiliates that provide services to us at fair value as of the grant date and we remeasure the amount on subsequent reporting dates to the extent that the restricted common stock and/or common stock options are unvested. Unvested restricted common stock is valued using appraised value. Unvested common stock options are valued using a Binomial pricing model and assumptions based on observable market data for comparable companies. We amortize compensation expense related to the restricted common stock and common stock options that we granted to our Manager using the graded vesting attribution method in accordance with SFAS 123R.

Because we remeasure the amount of compensation costs associated with the unvested restricted common stock and unvested common stock options that we issued to our Manager and certain of our senior executives as of each reporting period, our share-based compensation

expense reported in our statements of operations will change based on the fair value of our common stock and this may result in earnings volatility.

#### Income Taxes

We operate in a manner that we believe will allow us to be taxed as a REIT and, as a result, we do not expect to pay substantial corporate-level income taxes. Many of the requirements for REIT qualification, however, are highly technical and complex. If we were to fail to meet these requirements and do not qualify for certain statutory relief provisions, we would be subject to federal income tax, which could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations and amounts available for distributions to our stockholders. In addition, Crystal River TRS Holdings, Inc., our TRS, is subject to corporate-level income taxes.

#### **Financial Condition**

All of our assets at June 30, 2006 were acquired with the net proceeds of approximately \$405.6 million from our March 2005 private offering of 17,400,000 shares of our common stock and our use of leverage.

## Mortgage-Backed Securities

Some of our mortgage investment strategy involves buying higher coupon, higher premium bonds, which takes on more prepayment risk (particularly call or shortening risk) than lower dollar-priced strategies. However, we believe that the potential benefits of this strategy include higher income, wider spreads, and lower hedging costs due to the shorter option-adjusted duration of the higher coupon security.

The table below summarizes our MBS investments at June 30, 2006:

	RMBS	CMBS
	(In thous	ands)
Amortized cost	\$2,374,207	\$312,594
Unrealized gains	0.050	1,219
Unrealized losses		(10,749)
Fair value		

As of June 30, 2006, the RMBS and CMBS in our portfolio were purchased at a net discount to their par value and our portfolio had a weighted-average amortized cost of 97.1% and 65.1% of face amount, respectively. The RMBS and CMBS were valued below par at June 30, 2006 because we are investing in lower-rated bonds in the credit structure. Certain of the securities held at June 30, 2006 are valued below cost. Other than the eight securities noted above under "—— Critical Accounting Policies — Valuation of MBS and ABS," we do not believe any of our securities are other than temporarily impaired at June 30, 2006.

Our MBS holdings were as follows at June 30, 2006:

			We			
	Estimated Asset Value <sup>(1)</sup>	Percent of Total Investments	Coupon	Months to Reset <sup>(2)</sup>	Yield to Maturity	Constant Prepayment Rate <sup>(3)</sup>
	(In tho	usands)				
RMBS:						
Non-Agency:						
Senior prime 5 / 1 adjustable rate	\$ 222,988	7.9%	5.27%	45.00	6.43%	21.66%
Junior prime	157,095	5.6	6.81	23.55	16.89	24.70
Subprime	162,204	5.7	7.34	10.51	9.30	31.28
Agency:						
3/1 hybrid adjustable rate	642,086	22.7	4.99	28.83	6.23	28.19
5/1 hybrid adjustable rate	1,150,529	40.7	5.05	48.20	6.10	24.25
Total RMBS CMBS:	2,334,902	82.6	5.38	37.81	7.11	25.59
Below investment grade CMBS	303,064	10.7	5.06		9.84	

<sup>(1)</sup> All securities listed in this chart are carried at their estimated fair value.

The table below summarizes the credit ratings of our MBS investments at June 30, 2006:

	RMBS (In thou	CMBS_sands)
AAA	\$2,015,604	\$ —
AA		
A	49,364	
BBB	81,634	128,502
BB	102,301	90,009
B	66,798	47,406
Not rated	19,201	37,147
Total	<u>\$2,334,902</u>	\$303,064

Actual maturities of RMBS are generally shorter than stated contractual maturities, as they are affected by the contractual lives of the underlying mortgages, periodic payments of principal, and prepayments of principal. The stated contractual final maturity of the mortgage loans underlying our portfolio of RMBS ranges up to 30 years, but the expected maturity is subject to change based on the prepayments of the underlying loans. As of June 30, 2006, the average final contractual maturity of the mortgage portfolio is 2035.

The constant prepayment rate, or CPR, attempts to predict the percentage of principal that will be prepaid over the next 12 months based on historical principal paydowns. As interest rates rise, the rate of refinancings typically declines, which we believe may result in lower rates of prepayment and, as a result, a lower portfolio CPR.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents number of months before conversion to floating rate.

<sup>(3)</sup> Represents the estimated percentage of principal that will be prepaid over the next 12 months based on historical principal paydowns.

As of June 30, 2006, some of the mortgages underlying our RMBS had fixed interest rates for the weighted-average lives of approximately 37.8 months, after which time the interest rates reset and become adjustable. The average length of time until contractual maturity of those mortgages as of June 30, 2006 was 29 years.

After the reset date, interest rates on our hybrid adjustable rate RMBS securities float based on spreads over various LIBOR indices. These interest rates are subject to caps that limit the amount the applicable interest rate can increase during any year, known as an annual cap, and through the maturity of the applicable security, known as a lifetime cap. The weighted average lifetime cap for the portfolio is an increase of 4.32%; the weighted average maximum increases and decreases are 1.67%. Additionally, the weighted average maximum increases and decreases for agency hybrid RMBS in the first year that the rates are adjustable are 2.60%.

The following table summarizes our RMBS and our CMBS according to their estimated weighted average life classifications as of June 30, 2006:

-		RI	ИBS		CMBS			
Weighted Average Life	Fair Value Amortized Cost Fair Value (In thousands)		Value	Amorti	zed Cost			
Less than one year	\$	3,656	\$	3,837	\$	_	\$	_
Greater than one year and less than five years	1,	768,742	1,	799,061		_		_
Greater than five years		562,504		571,309	_30	3,064	_31	2,5 <u>94</u>
Total	<u>\$2,</u>	334,902	<u>\$2,</u>	374,207	\$30	3,064	<u>\$31</u>	2,594

The estimated weighted-average lives of the MBS in the tables above are based upon prepayment models obtained through subscription-based financial information service providers.

The prepayment model considers current yield, forward yield, steepness of the yield curve, current mortgage rates, the mortgage rate of the outstanding loan, loan age, margin and volatility.

The actual weighted-average lives of the MBS in our investment portfolio could be longer or shorter than the estimates in the table above depending on the actual prepayment rates experienced over the lives of the applicable securities and are sensitive to changes in both prepayment rates and interest rates.

#### Other Fixed Income Securities

At June 30, 2006, we classified certain short-term non-MBS as available-for-sale. These investments were reported at fair value. These investments are periodically reviewed for other-than-temporary impairment, but their contractual lives are short term in nature.

## **Equity Securities**

Our investment policies allow us to acquire equity securities, including common and preferred shares issued by other real estate investment trusts. At June 30, 2006, we held two investments in equity securities.

These investments above are classified as available for sale and thus carried at fair value on our balance sheet with changes in fair value recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income until realized.

## Real Estate Loans

At June 30, 2006, our real estate loans are reported at cost. These investments are periodically reviewed for impairment. As of June 30, 2006, there was no impairment in our real estate loans.

## Interest and Principal Paydown Receivable

At June 30, 2006, we had interest and principal paydown receivable of approximately \$138.0 million, none of which related to interest that had accrued on securities prior to our purchase of such securities. The total interest and principal paydown receivable amount consisted of approximately \$135.8 million relating to our MBS, including \$114.4 million due from brokers for securities sold, and approximately \$2.2 million relating to other investments.

## Hedging Instruments and Derivative Activities

There can be no assurance that our hedging activities will have the desired beneficial impact on our results of operations or financial condition. Moreover, no hedging activity can completely insulate us from the risks associated with changes in interest rates and prepayment rates. We generally intend to hedge as much of the interest rate risk as Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River determines is in the best interests of our stockholders, after considering the cost of such hedging transactions and our desire to maintain our status as a REIT. Our policies do not contain specific requirements as to the percentages or amount of interest rate risk that our manager is required to hedge.

As of June 30, 2006, we had engaged in interest rate swaps and interest rate swap forwards as a means of mitigating our interest rate risk on forecasted interest expense associated with repurchase agreements for a specified future time period, which is the term of the swap contract. An interest rate swap is a contractual agreement entered into by two counterparties under which each agrees to make periodic payments to the other for an agreed period of time based upon a notional amount of principal. Under the most common form of interest rate swap, a series of payments calculated by applying a fixed rate of interest to a notional amount of principal is exchanged for a stream of payments similarly calculated but using a floating rate of interest. This is a fixed-floating interest rate swap. We hedge our floating rate debt by entering into fixed-floating interest rate swap agreements whereby we swap the floating rate of interest on the liability we are hedging for a fixed rate of interest. An interest rate swap forward is an interest rate swap based on an interest rate to be set at an agreed future date. As of June 30, 2006, we were a party to interest rate swaps with maturities ranging from October 2006 to July 2021 with a notional par amount of approximately \$1,448.5 million. Under the swap agreements in place at June 30, 2006, we receive interest at rates that reset periodically, generally every three months, and pay a rate fixed at the initiation of and for the life of the swap agreements. The current market value of interest rate swaps is heavily dependent on the current market fixed rate, the corresponding term structure of floating rates (known as the yield curve) as well as the expectation of changes in future floating rates. As expectations of future floating rates change, the market value of interest rate swaps changes. Based on the daily market value of those interest rate swaps and interest rate swap forward contracts, our counterparties may request additional margin collateral or we may request additional collateral from our counterparties to ensure that an appropriate margin account balance is maintained at all times through the maturity of the contracts. At June 30, 2006, the unrealized gain on interest rate swap contracts was \$34.5 million due to an increase in prevailing market interest rates.

As of June 30, 2006, we had engaged in credit default swaps, or CDS, which are accounted for as derivatives. CDSs are similar to insurance on the default risk of a particular

investment as we will enter into a contract with a counterparty as the "protection seller" and agree to pay par for the counterparty's bonds in the event a credit default occurs in exchange for receiving periodic payments (similar to an insurance premium) from the "protection buyer." As a result, the economic returns on our CDSs depend substantially on the performance of the underlying investments held by the protection buyer and we are subject to the credit risk of the protection buyer as well as the related investments. We enter into CDS transactions because they offer a more attractive leveraged return than the underlying cash instruments, in exchange for the added credit exposure.

While so far we have only taken synthetic long positions (by writing protection) we may find it attractive to hedge our credit exposure by entering into synthetic short positions (by buying protection) at some point in the future.

As of June 30, 2006, we were a party to 11 credit default swaps with maturities ranging from February 2035 to July 2043 with a notional par amount of \$105.0 million. At June 30, 2006, the unrealized gain on credit default swap contracts was \$1.4 million due to an increase in the creditworthiness of the underlying securities.

As of June 30, 2006, we had engaged in currency swaps as a means of mitigating our currency risk under one of our real estate loans that was denominated in Canadian dollars. As of June 30, 2006, we were a party to one currency swap with a maturity of July 2016 with a notional par amount of Can\$50.0 million. The current market value of currency swaps is heavily dependent on the current currency exchange rate and the expectation of changes in future currency exchange rates. As expectations of future currency exchange rates change, the market value of currency swaps changes. Based on the daily market value of those currency swaps, our counterparties may request additional margin collateral or we may request additional collateral from our counterparties to ensure that an appropriate margin account balance is maintained at all times through the maturity of the contracts. At June 30, 2006, the unrealized loss on currency swap contracts was \$0.3 million due to a strengthening of the Canadian dollar versus the United States dollar.

#### Liabilities

We have entered into repurchase agreements to finance some of our purchases of RMBS. These agreements are secured by our RMBS and bear interest rates that have historically moved in close relationship to LIBOR. As of June 30, 2006, we had established 17 borrowing arrangements with various investment banking firms and other lenders. As of June 30, 2006, we were utilizing 14 of those arrangements.

At June 30, 2006, we had outstanding obligations under repurchase agreements with 13 counterparties totaling approximately \$2,496.7 million with weighted-average current borrowing rates of 5.24% all of which have maturities of between seven and 413 days. We intend to seek to renew these repurchase agreements as they mature under the then-applicable borrowing terms of the counterparties to the repurchase agreements. At June 30, 2006, the repurchase agreements were secured by MBS and real estate loans and cash with an estimated fair value of approximately \$2,662.8 million and had weighted-average maturities of 55 days. The net amount at risk, defined as fair value of the collateral, including restricted cash, minus repurchase agreement liabilities and accrued interest expense, with all counterparties was approximately \$148.7 million at June 30, 2006. One of the repurchase agreements is a \$275.0 million master repurchase agreement with Wachovia Bank that has a two year term with a one year renewal option. The Wachovia Bank master repurchase agreement provides for the purchase, sale and repurchase of commercial and residential mortgage loans, commercial mezzanine loans, B Notes, participation interests in the foregoing, commercial mortgage-backed securities and other

mutually agreed upon collateral and bears interest at varying rates over LIBOR based upon the type of asset included in the repurchase obligation.

## Stockholders' Equity

Stockholders' equity at June 30, 2006 was approximately \$373.6 million and included \$46.8 million of unrealized losses on securities available for sale and \$31.2 million of unrealized and realized gains on cash flow hedges presented as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss.

# Results of Operations For the Period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2005

## Summary

Our net income for the period was \$13.9 million or \$0.80 per weighted-average basic and diluted share outstanding.

### Net Interest Income

Net interest income for the period was \$31.2 million. Gross interest income of \$79.6 million primarily consisted of \$71.9 million of interest income from MBS, \$3.6 million of interest income from real estate loans and \$2.3 million of interest income from ABS. Interest expense of \$48.4 million consisted primarily of \$43.2 million related to repurchase agreements and \$3.2 million related to interest rate swaps.

#### Expenses

Expenses for the period totaled \$8.4 million, which consisted primarily of base management fees of approximately \$4.8 million, amortization of approximately \$0.6 million related to restricted stock and options granted to our Manager, professional fees of \$2.2 million and start-up costs of \$0.3 million.

Our Manager has waived its right to request reimbursement from us of third-party expenses that it incurs through December 31, 2006, which amount otherwise would have been required to be reimbursed. The management agreement with Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River, which was negotiated before our business model was implemented, provides that we will reimburse our Manager for certain third party expenses that it incurs on our behalf, including rent and utilities. Hyperion Brookfield incurs such costs and did not allocate any such expenses to our Manager in 2005 or in the first quarter or second quarter of 2006 as our Manager's use of such services were deemed to be immaterial. In 2007, Hyperion Brookfield will reevaluate whether any such rent and utility costs will be allocated to our Manager and if so, we will be responsible for reimbursing such costs allocable to our operations absent any further waiver of reimbursement by our Manager. There are no contractual limitations on our obligation to reimburse our Manager for third party expenses and our Manager may incur such expenses consistent with the grant of authority provided to it pursuant to the management agreement without any additional approval of our board of directors being required. In addition, our Manager may defer our reimbursement obligation from any quarter to a future period; provided, however, that we will record any necessary accrual for any such reimbursement obligations when required by generally accepted accounting principles and our Manager has advised us that it will promptly invoice us for such reimbursements consistent with sound financial accounting policies.

## Other Revenues (Expenses)

Other revenues (expenses) for the period totaled approximately \$(8.8) million, which consisted primarily of \$2.5 million of realized and unrealized losses on derivatives, \$0.5 million of realized net losses on the sale of real estate loans and securities available for sale and \$5.8 million of losses on impairment of securities available for sale.

## Results of Operations For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2006

#### Summary

Our net income for the period was \$21.5 million or \$1.22 per weighted-average basic and diluted share outstanding.

#### Net Interest Income

Net interest income for the period was \$26.0 million. Gross interest income of \$86.3 million primarily consisted of \$76.9 million of interest income from MBS, \$5.1 million of interest income from real estate loans and \$2.0 million of interest income from ABS. Interest expense of \$60.3 million consisted primarily of \$56.3 million related to repurchase agreements, \$5.9 million related to CDOs and amortization of deferred financing costs of \$1.0 million, which was partially offset by \$3.7 million of interest income from interest rate swaps.

## Expenses

Expenses for the period totaled \$5.5 million, which consisted primarily of base management fees of approximately \$2.8 million, amortization of approximately \$0.5 million related to restricted stock and options granted to our Manager and professional fees of \$1.5 million.

#### Other Revenues

Other revenues for the period totaled approximately \$1.0 million, which consisted primarily of \$7.4 million of realized and unrealized gains on derivatives (including a \$0.9 million loss related to foreign currency swaps) and \$1.9 million in foreign currency exchange gain, which was offset in part by \$1.7 million of realized net losses on the sale of securities available for sale and a \$6.9 million loss on impairment of securities available for sale.

# Results of Operations For the Period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005

#### Summary

Our net income for the period was \$0.4 million or \$0.02 per weighted-average basic and diluted share outstanding.

#### Net Interest Income

Net interest income for the period was \$8.2 million. Gross interest income of \$15.8 million primarily consisted of \$14.6 million of interest income from MBS, \$0.6 million of interest income from ABS and \$0.3 million of interest income from real estate loans. Interest expense of \$7.6 million consisted primarily of \$6.2 million related to repurchase agreements and \$1.4 million related to interest rate swaps.

#### Expenses

Expenses for the period totaled \$3.3 million, which consisted primarily of base management fees of approximately \$1.8 million, amortization of approximately \$0.2 million related to restricted stock and options granted to our Manager, professional fees of \$0.7 million and start-up costs of \$0.3 million.

### Other Expenses

Other expenses for the period totaled approximately \$4.4 million, which consisted substantially of realized and unrealized losses on derivatives.

Results of Operations For the Three Months Ended June 30, 2006 compared to the Three Months Ended June 30, 2005

### Summary

Our net income for the three months ended June 30, 2006 period was \$6.0 million, or \$0.34 per weighted-average basic and diluted share outstanding, compared with net income of \$0.3 million, or \$0.02 per weighted-average basic and diluted share outstanding for the same period in 2005.

#### Net Interest Income

Net interest income for the three months ended June 30, 2006 was \$13.9 million, an increase of \$6.3 million, or 83.6%, over net interest income of \$7.6 million for the same period in 2005. Gross interest income for the second quarter of 2006 of \$45.3 million primarily consisted of \$39.9 million of interest income from MBS, \$2.5 million of interest income from real estate loans and \$0.9 million of interest income from ABS. Gross interest income for the same period in 2005 of \$15.1 million primarily consisted of \$14.1 million of interest income from MBS, \$0.3 million of interest income from real estate loans and \$0.6 million of interest income from ABS. This increase was due to an increase in the size of our investment portfolio and the diversification of our investment portfolio from Agency ARMs into higher yielding securities. Interest expense of \$31.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2006 consisted primarily of \$30.6 million related to repurchase agreements and \$3.0 million related to CDOs, which was partially offset by \$3.1 million of interest income from interest rate swaps. Interest expense of \$7.5 million for the same period in 2005 consisted primarily of \$6.2 million related to repurchase agreements and \$1.4 million of interest expense on interest rate swaps. The increase in interest expense was due to an increase in our leverage and general market increases in financing costs.

#### Expenses

Expenses for the second quarter of 2006 totaled \$2.7 million, which consisted primarily of base management fees of approximately \$1.3 million, amortization of approximately \$0.3 million related to restricted stock and options granted to our Manager and professional fees of \$0.8 million. Expenses for the same period in 2005 totaled \$2.7 million, which consisted primarily of base management fees of approximately \$1.6 million, amortization of approximately \$0.2 million relating to restricted stock and options granted to our Manager and professional fees of \$0.7 million.

## Other Expenses

Other expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2006 totaled approximately \$5.1 million, which consisted primarily of \$1.1 million of realized losses on the sale of securities available for sale, a \$5.7 million loss on impairment of securities available for sale and \$0.5 million of realized and unrealized losses on derivatives (including a loss of \$2.1 million related to foreign currency swaps), which was offset in part by \$2.0 million of foreign currency exchange gain. Other expenses for the same period in 2005 totaled approximately \$4.6 million, which consisted substantially of realized and unrealized losses on derivatives.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

We held cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$56.2 million at June 30, 2006, which excludes restricted cash of approximately \$82.5 million that is used to collateralize certain of our repurchase facilities and certain other obligations.

Our operating activities provided net cash of approximately \$18.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2006 primarily as a result of net income of \$21.5 million, non-cash impairment charges relating to available for sale securities of \$6.9 million, and a net increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities, due to Manager and interest payable of approximately \$5.8 million, offset in part by non-cash unrealized gains on derivatives of \$7.8 million, non-cash accretion of discount on assets of \$4.1 million, non-cash foreign currency exchange gain of \$1.8 million and increases in interest receivable and prepaid expenses and other assets of \$4.6 million.

Our operating activities provided net cash of approximately \$4.8 million during the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005 primarily as a result of net income of \$0.4 million, unrealized loss on derivatives of \$4.3 million and the excess of interest expense payments that were recognized but not yet paid over interest income receipts that were recognized but not yet received.

Our investing activities used net cash of \$383.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2006 primarily from the purchase of securities available for sale of \$828.5 million and the funding or purchase of real estate loans totaling \$6.9 million, partially offset by receipt of principal paydowns on securities available for sale and real estate loans of approximately \$254.1 million, redemptions of real estate loans of approximately \$15.8 million and \$182.5 million of proceeds from the sale of securities available for sale and real estate loans.

Our investing activities used net cash of \$1,823.1 million during the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005 primarily from the purchase of securities available for sale of \$1,824.5 million and the funding or purchase of real estate loans totaling \$38.2 million, partially offset by receipt of principal paydowns on securities available for sale of approximately \$41.6 million.

Our financing activities provided net cash of \$399.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2006 primarily from the net proceeds from borrowings under repurchase agreements, including with related parties, of \$502.4 million and cash collateral received of approximately \$25.5 million, partially offset by principal repayments on CDOs of \$16.6 million, repayment of a note payable to a related party of \$35.0 million, dividend payments of approximately \$12.7 million and the deposit of \$64.0 million of restricted cash used to collateralize certain financings.

Our financing activities provided net cash of \$1,838.5 million during the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005 primarily from the issuance of common stock, net of offering costs, of \$405.6 million and net proceeds from borrowings

under repurchase agreements of \$1,436.5 million, partially offset by the deposit of \$3.7 million of restricted cash used to collateralize certain financings.

Our source of funds as of June 30, 2006, excluding our March 2005 private offering, consisted of net proceeds from repurchase agreements totaling approximately \$2,496.7 million with a weighted-average current borrowing rate of 5.24%, which we used to finance the acquisition of securities available for sale. We expect to continue to borrow funds in the form of repurchase agreements. As of June 30, 2006 we had established 17 borrowing arrangements with various investment banking firms and other lenders, 14 of which were in use on June 30, 2006. Increases in short-term interest rates could negatively impact the valuation of our mortgage-related assets, which could limit our borrowing ability or cause our lenders to initiate margin calls. Amounts due upon maturity of our repurchase agreements will be funded primarily through the rollover/reissuance of repurchase agreements and monthly principal and interest payments received on our mortgage-backed securities.

## Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

As of June 30, 2006, we did not maintain any relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance, or special purpose or variable interest entities, established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements or other contractually narrow or limited purposes. As of June 30, 2006, we had outstanding commitments to fund real estate construction loans of \$24.1 million, and as of such date, advances of \$21.4 million had been made under these commitments.

## Contractual Obligations and Commitments

As of March 15, 2005, we had entered into a management agreement with Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River. Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River is entitled to receive a base management fee, incentive compensation, reimbursement of certain expenses and, in certain circumstances, a termination fee, all as described in the management agreement. Such fees and expenses do not have fixed and determinable payments. The base management fee is payable monthly in arrears in an amount equal to 1/12 of our equity (as defined in the management agreement) times 1.50%. Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River uses the proceeds from its management fee in part to pay compensation to its officers and employees who, notwithstanding that certain of them also are our officers, receive no cash compensation directly from us. Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River will receive quarterly incentive compensation in an amount equal to the product of: (a) 25% of the dollar amount by which (i) our net income (determined in accordance with GAAP) and before non-cash equity compensation expense and before incentive compensation, for the quarter per common share (based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the quarter) exceeds (ii) an amount equal to (A) the weighted average of the price per share of the common shares in the March 2005 private offering, the price per share in our 2006 initial public offering and the prices per common shares in any subsequent offerings by us (including this offering), in each case at the time of issuance thereof, multiplied by (B) the greater of (1) 2.4375% and (2) 0.50% plus one-fourth of the Ten Year Treasury Rate for such quarter, multiplied by (b) the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the quarter; provided, that the foregoing calculation of incentive compensation shall be adjusted to exclude one-time events pursuant to changes in GAAP, as well as non-cash charges after discussion between Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River and our independent directors and approval by a majority of our independent directors in the case of non-cash charges. In accordance with the management agreement, our Manager and the independent members of our board of directors have agreed to adjust the calculation of the Manager's incentive fee to exclude non-cash adjustments required by SFAS 133 relating to the valuation of interest rate swaps, currency swaps and

credit default swaps. See note 10 to our June 30, 2006 unaudited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere herein.

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The following table presents certain information regarding our debt obligations as of June 30, 2006:

Repurchase Agreement Counterparties	Amount at Risk(1)	Weighted-Average Maturity of Repurchase Agreement in Days
	(In the	nousands)
Banc of America Securities LLC	\$ 5,951	36
Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc	15,587	27
Citigroup Global Markets Inc	4,460	62
Credit Suisse First Boston LLC	22,936	35
Deutsche Bank Securities Inc	7,288	31
Greenwich Capital Markets, Inc	5,138	58
Lehman Brothers Inc	12,149	12
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated	8,504	41
Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated	4,448	30
Trilon International, Inc.	4,448	27
Wachovia Bank, National Association	49,847	413
Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC	3,580	53
WaMu Capital Corp.	4,409	47
Total	\$148,745	55

<sup>(1)</sup> Equal to the fair value of collateral, including restricted cash, minus repurchase agreement liabilities and accrued interest expense.

We purchase securities on a trade date that is prior to the related settlement date. As of June 30, 2006, we were owed approximately \$114.4 million for our sale of securities on or prior to June 30, 2006 that settled after June 30, 2006.

The repurchase agreements for our repurchase facilities generally do not include substantive provisions other than those contained in the standard master repurchase agreement as published by the Bond Market Association. As noted below, some of our master repurchase agreements that were in effect as of September 22, 2006 contain negative covenants requiring us to maintain certain levels of net asset value, tangible net worth and available funds and comply with interest coverage ratios, leverage ratios and distribution limitations. One of our master repurchase agreements provides that it may be terminated if, among other things, certain material decreases in net asset value occur, our chief executive officer ceases to be involved in the day-to-day operations of our Manager, we lose our REIT status or our Manager is terminated. Generally, if we violate one of these covenants, the counterparty to the master repurchase agreement has the option to declare an event of default, which would accelerate the repurchase date. If such option is exercised, then all of our obligations would come due, including either purchasing the securities or selling the securities, as the case may be. The counterparty to the master repurchase agreement, if the buyer in such transaction, for example,

will be entitled to keep all income paid after the exercise, which will be applied to the aggregate unpaid repurchase price and any other amounts owed by us, and we are required to deliver any purchased securities to the counterparty.

Our master repurchase agreement with Banc of America Securities LLC contains a restrictive covenant that requires our net asset value to be no less than the higher of

- the NAV Floor (defined below) and
- 50% of our net asset value as of December 31 of the prior year.

For 2006, the "NAV Floor" is \$250.0 million. For all future periods, the NAV Floor is equal to the higher of

- the NAV Floor and
- 50% of our net asset value,

in each case as of December 31 of the prior year.

Our master repurchase agreements with Credit Suisse First Boston, LLC and Credit Suisse First Boston, (Europe) Limited each contain a restrictive covenant that would trigger an event of default if our net asset value declines:

- by 30% or more from the highest net asset value in the preceding 12-month period then ending,
- by 20% or more from the highest net asset value in the preceding three-month period then ending,
- by 15% or more from the highest net asset value in the preceding one-month period then ending, or
- by 50% or more from the highest net asset value since the date of the master repurchase agreement

or, if we or our Manager receive redemption notices that will result in an net asset value drop to the foregoing levels or below \$175.0 million.

Our master repurchase agreement with Wachovia Bank, National Association contains the following restrictive covenants:

- We may not permit the ratio of the sum of adjusted EBITDA (as defined in the master repurchase agreement) to interest expense to be less than 1.25 to 1.00.
- We may not permit our debt to equity ratio to be greater than 10:1.
- We may not declare or make any payment on account of, or set apart assets for, a sinking or other analogous fund for the purchase, redemption, defeasance, retirement or other acquisition of any of our equity interests, or make any other distribution in respect thereof, either directly or indirectly, whether in cash or property or in our obligations, except, so long as there is no default, event of default or "Margin Deficit" that has occurred and is continuing. We may (i) make such payments solely to the extent necessary to preserve our status as a REIT and (ii) make additional payments in an amount equal to 100% of funds from operations. A Margin Deficit occurs when the aggregate market value of all the purchased securities subject to all repurchase transactions in which a party is acting as buyer is less than the buyer's margin amount for all transactions, which is the amount obtained by application of the buyer's margin

percentage to the repurchase price. The margin percentage is a percentage agreed to by the buyer and seller or the percentage obtained by dividing the market value of the purchased securities on the purchase date by the purchase price on the purchase date.

- Our tangible net worth may not be less than the sum of \$300.0 million plus the proceeds from all equity issuances, net of investment banking fees, legal fees, accountants' fees, underwriting discounts and commissions and other customary fees and expenses that we actually incur.
- We may not permit the amount of our cash and cash equivalents at any time to be less than \$10.0 million during the first year following the closing date of the master repurchase agreement or less than \$15.0 million after the first year following the closing date, in either case after giving effect to any requested repurchase transaction.

Certain of our repurchase agreements and our revolving credit facility contain financial covenants, including maintaining our REIT status and maintaining a specific net asset value or worth. As of June 30, 2006, with respect to two debt obligations, we failed to meet certain financial covenants, including an interest expense coverage ratio. We obtained waivers with respect to all financial covenants which were not met. As a result, we were in compliance with or have obtained the necessary waivers with respect to all our financial covenants as of June 30, 2006.

We intend to continue to make regular quarterly distributions of all or substantially all of our REIT taxable income to holders of our common stock. In order to maintain our qualification as a REIT and to avoid corporate-level income tax on the income we distribute to our stockholders, we are required to distribute at least 90% of our REIT taxable income (which includes net short-term capital gains) on an annual basis. This requirement can impact our liquidity and capital resources.

For our short-term (one year or less) and long-term liquidity, which includes investing and compliance with collateralization requirements under our repurchase agreements (if the pledged collateral decreases in value or in the event of margin calls created by prepayments of the pledged collateral), we also rely on the cash flow from operations, primarily monthly principal and interest payments to be received on our mortgage-backed securities, cash flow from the sale of securities as well as any primary securities offerings authorized by our board of directors.

Based on our current portfolio, leverage rate and available borrowing arrangements, including our \$275.0 million master repurchase facility with Wachovia Bank, we believe that the net proceeds of our initial public offering, which closed in August 2006, together with existing equity capital, combined with the cash flow from operations and the utilization of borrowings, will be sufficient to enable us to meet anticipated short-term (one year or less) liquidity requirements such as to fund our investment activities, pay fees under our management agreement, fund our distributions to stockholders and for general corporate expenses. However, an increase in prepayment rates substantially above our expectations could cause a temporary liquidity shortfall due to the timing of the necessary margin calls on the financing arrangements and the actual receipt of the cash related to principal paydowns. If our cash resources are at any time insufficient to satisfy our liquidity requirements, we may have to sell debt or additional equity securities. If required, the sale of MBS or real estate loans at prices lower than their carrying value would result in losses and reduced income. Although we have achieved a leverage rate within our targeted leverage range as of June 30, 2006, we have additional capacity to leverage our equity further should the need for additional short-term (one year or less) liquidity arise.

Our ability to meet our long-term (greater than one year) liquidity and capital resource requirements in excess of our borrowing capacity under our \$275.0 million master repurchase facility with Wachovia Bank will be subject to obtaining additional debt financing and equity capital. We may increase our capital resources by making public offerings of equity securities, possibly including classes of preferred stock, common stock, commercial paper, medium-term notes, CDOs, collateralized mortgage obligations and senior or subordinated notes. Such financing will depend on market conditions for capital raises and for the investment of any proceeds. If we are unable to renew, replace or expand our sources of financing on substantially similar terms, it may have an adverse effect on our business and results of operations. Upon liquidation, holders of our debt securities and shares of preferred stock and lenders with respect to other borrowings will receive a distribution of our available assets prior to the holders of our common stock.

We generally seek to borrow between four and eight times the amount of our equity. At June 30, 2006, our total debt was approximately \$2,707.6 million, which represented a leverage ratio of approximately 7.25 times. If our leverage ratio at June 30, 2006 were eight times our equity, our total debt would have been approximately \$2,988.8 million, which represents an additional \$281.2 million of borrowing.

#### REIT Taxable Income

REIT taxable income is calculated according to the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code, rather than GAAP. The following table reconciles GAAP net income to estimated REIT taxable income for the six months ended June 30, 2006:

	(In thousands)
GAAP net income	\$21,452
Adjustments to GAAP net income:	
Net tax adjustments related to organization costs	(11)
Net tax adjustments related to grant of restricted stock and options	(75)
Net tax adjustments related to discount accretion and premium amortization	3,225
Book derivative income in excess of tax income	(7,259)
Capital loss limitations	4,301
Impairment losses not deductible for tax purposes	6,924
Net adjustments to GAAP net income	7,105
Estimated REIT taxable income	\$28,557

The following table reconciles GAAP net income to REIT taxable income for the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2005:

	(In thousands)
GAAP net income	\$13,948
Adjustments to GAAP net income:	
Net tax adjustments related to organization costs	319
Net tax adjustments related to grant of restricted stock	554
Net tax adjustments related to grant of options	73
Net tax adjustments related to discount accretion and premium amortization	2,342
Book derivative income in excess of tax income	2,796
Capital loss limitations	2,168
Impairment losses not deductible for tax purposes	5,782
Other	(24)
Net adjustments to GAAP net income	14,010
REIT taxable income	\$27,958

We believe that the presentation of our REIT taxable income is useful to investors because it demonstrates to investors the minimum amount of distributions we must make in order to maintain our qualification as a REIT and not be obligated to pay federal and state income taxes. However, beyond our intent to distribute to our stockholders at least 90% of our REIT taxable income on an annual basis in order to maintain our REIT qualification, we do not expect that the amount of distributions we make will necessarily correlate to our REIT taxable income. Rather, we expect to determine the amount of distributions we make based on our cash flow and what we believe to be an appropriate and competitive dividend yield relative to other specialty finance companies and mortgage REITs. REIT taxable income will not necessarily bear any close relation to cash flow. Accordingly, we do not consider REIT taxable income to be a reliable measure of our liquidity although the related distribution requirement can impact our liquidity and capital resources. Moreover, there are limitations associated with REIT taxable income as a measure of our financial performance over any period. As a result, REIT taxable income should not be considered as a substitute for our GAAP net income as a measure of our financial performance.

#### Inflation

Virtually all of our assets and liabilities are interest rate sensitive in nature. As a result, interest rates and other factors influence our performance far more so than does inflation. Changes in interest rates do not necessarily correlate with inflation rates or changes in inflation rates. Our financial statements are prepared in accordance with GAAP and our distributions are determined by our board of directors consistent with our obligation to distribute to our stockholders at least 90% of our REIT taxable income on an annual basis in order to maintain our REIT qualification; in each case, our activities and balance sheet are measured with reference to historical cost and or fair market value without considering inflation.

#### Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

As of June 30, 2006, the primary component of our market risk was interest rate risk, as described below. While we do not seek to avoid risk completely, we do believe the risk can be quantified from historical experience and seek to actively manage that risk, to earn sufficient

compensation to justify taking those risks and to maintain capital levels consistent with the risks we undertake.

#### Interest Rate Risk

We are subject to interest rate risk in connection with most of our investments and our related debt obligations, which are generally repurchase agreements of limited duration that are periodically refinanced at current market rates. We mitigate this risk through utilization of derivative contracts, primarily interest rate swap agreements.

### Yield Spread Risk

Most of our investments are also subject to yield spread risk. The majority of these securities are fixed rate securities, which are valued based on a market credit spread over the rate payable on fixed rate U.S. Treasuries of like maturity. In other words, their value is dependent on the yield demanded on such securities by the market, as based on their credit relative to U.S. Treasuries. An excessive supply of these securities combined with reduced demand will generally cause the market to require a higher yield on these securities, resulting in the use of a higher or "wider" spread over the benchmark rate (usually the applicable U.S. Treasury security yield) to value these securities. Under these conditions, the value of our real estate securities portfolio would tend to decrease. Conversely, if the spread used to value these securities were to decrease or "tighten," the value of our real estate securities would tend to increase. Such changes in the market value of our real estate securities portfolio may affect our net equity or cash flow either directly through their impact on unrealized gains or losses on available-for-sale securities by diminishing our ability to realize gains on such securities, or indirectly through their impact on our ability to borrow and access capital.

#### Effect on Net Interest Income

We fund our investments with short-term borrowings under repurchase agreements. During periods of rising interest rates, the borrowing costs associated with those investments tend to increase while the income earned on such investments could remain substantially unchanged. This results in a narrowing of the net interest spread between the related assets and borrowings and may even result in losses.

On June 30, 2006, we were party to 45 interest swap contracts. The following table summarizes the expiration dates of these contracts and their notional amounts (in thousands):

Expiration Date	Noti	onal Amount
2006	\$	15,000
2007		403,000
2008		596,000
2009		60,000
2010		127,500
2011		30,000
2013		53,084
2015		54,000
2016		67,000
2021		42,933
TOTAL	\$1	,448,517

Hedging techniques are partly based on assumed levels of prepayments of our fixed-rate and hybrid adjustable-rate RMBS. If prepayments are slower or faster than assumed, the life of the RMBS will be longer or shorter, which would reduce the effectiveness of any hedging strategies we may use and may cause losses on such transactions. Hedging strategies involving the use of derivative securities are highly complex and may produce volatile returns.

#### Extension Risk

We invest in RMBS, some of which have interest rates that are fixed for the first few years of the loan (typically three, five, seven or ten years) and thereafter reset periodically on the same basis as adjustable-rate RMBS. We compute the projected weighted-average life of our RMBS based on assumptions regarding the rate at which the borrowers will prepay the underlying mortgages. In general, when a fixed-rate or hybrid adjustable-rate residential mortgage-backed security is acquired with borrowings, we may, but are not required to, enter into an interest rate swap agreement or other hedging instrument that effectively fixes our borrowing costs for a period close to the anticipated average life of the fixed-rate portion of the related RMBS. This strategy is designed to protect us from rising interest rates because the borrowing costs are fixed for the duration of the fixed-rate portion of the related residential mortgage-backed security.

However, if prepayment rates decrease in a rising interest rate environment, the life of the fixed-rate portion of the related RMBS could extend beyond the term of the swap agreement or other hedging instrument. This could have a negative impact on our results from operations, as borrowing costs would no longer be fixed after the end of the hedging instrument while the income earned on the RMBS would remain fixed. This situation may also cause the market value of our RMBS to decline, with little or no offsetting gain from the related hedging transactions. In extreme situations, we may be forced to sell assets to maintain adequate liquidity, which could cause us to incur losses.

## Hybrid Adjustable-Rate RMBS Interest Rate Cap Risk

We also invest in hybrid adjustable-rate RMBS which are based on mortgages that are typically subject to periodic and lifetime interest rate caps and floors, which limit the amount by which the security's interest yield may change during any given period. However, our borrowing costs pursuant to our repurchase agreements will not be subject to similar restrictions. Therefore, in a period of increasing interest rates, interest rate costs on our borrowings could increase without limitation by caps, while the interest-rate yields on our hybrid adjustable-rate RMBS would effectively be limited by caps. This problem will be magnified to the extent we acquire hybrid adjustable-rate RMBS that are not based on mortgages which are fully indexed. In addition, the underlying mortgages may be subject to periodic payment caps that result in some portion of the interest being deferred and added to the principal outstanding. This could result in our receipt of less cash income on our hybrid adjustable-rate RMBS than we need in order to pay the interest cost on our related borrowings. These factors could lower our net interest income or cause a net loss during periods of rising interest rates, which would harm our financial condition, cash flows and results of operations.

#### Interest Rate Mismatch Risk

We intend to continue to fund a substantial portion of our investments with borrowings that, after the effect of hedging, have interest rates based on indices and repricing terms similar to, but of somewhat shorter maturities than, the interest rate indices and repricing terms of our investments. Thus, we anticipate that in most cases the interest rate indices and repricing terms of our mortgage assets and our funding sources will not be identical, thereby creating an

interest rate mismatch between assets and liabilities. Therefore, our cost of funds would likely rise or fall more quickly than would our earnings rate on assets. During periods of changing interest rates, such interest rate mismatches could negatively impact our financial condition, cash flows and results of operations. To mitigate interest rate mismatches, we may utilize hedging strategies discussed above.

Our analysis of risks is based on management's experience, estimates, models and assumptions. These analyses rely on models which utilize estimates of fair value and interest rate sensitivity. Actual economic conditions or implementation of investment decisions by our management may produce results that differ significantly from the estimates and assumptions used in our models and the projected results shown in this annual report.

#### Prepayment Risk

Prepayments are the full or partial repayment of principal prior to the original term to maturity of a mortgage loan and typically occur due to refinancing of mortgage loans. Prepayment rates for existing RMBS generally increase when prevailing interest rates fall below the market rate existing when the underlying mortgages were originated. In addition, prepayment rates on adjustable-rate and hybrid adjustable-rate RMBS generally increase when the difference between long-term and short-term interest rates declines or becomes negative. Prepayments of RMBS could harm our results of operations in several ways. Some adjustable-rate mortgages underlying our adjustable-rate RMBS may bear initial "teaser" interest rates that are lower than their "fully-indexed" rates, which refers to the applicable index rates plus a margin. In the event that such an adjustable-rate mortgage is prepaid prior to or soon after the time of adjustment to a fully-indexed rate, the holder of the related residential mortgage-backed security would have held such security while it was less profitable and lost the opportunity to receive interest at the fully-indexed rate over the expected life of the adjustable-rate residential mortgage-backed security. Additionally, we currently own mortgage assets that were purchased at a premium. The prepayment of such assets at a rate faster than anticipated would result in a write-off of any remaining capitalized premium amount and a consequent reduction of our net interest income by such amount. Finally, in the event that we are unable to acquire new mortgage assets to replace the prepaid assets, our financial condition, cash flow and results of operations could be negatively impacted.

#### Effect on Fair Value

Another component of interest rate risk is the effect changes in interest rates will have on the market value of our assets. We face the risk that the market value of our assets will increase or decrease at different rates than that of our liabilities, including our hedging instruments. We primarily assess our interest rate risk by estimating the duration of our assets and the duration of our liabilities. Duration essentially measures the market price volatility of financial instruments as interest rates change. We generally calculate duration using various financial models and empirical data. Different models and methodologies can produce different duration numbers for the same securities.

The following interest rate sensitivity analysis is measured using an option-adjusted spread model combined with a proprietary prepayment model. We shock the curve up and down 100 basis points and analyze the change in interest rates, prepayments and cash flows through a Monte Carlo simulation. We then calculate an average price for each scenario which is used in our risk management analysis.

The following sensitivity analysis table shows the estimated impact on the fair value of our interest rate-sensitive investments, repurchase agreement liabilities, CDO liabilities and swaps,

at June 30, 2006, assuming rates instantaneously fall 100 basis points and rise 100 basis points:

		Interest Rates Fall 100 Basis Points Unchanged (Dollars in thousan			Interest Rates Rise 100 Basis Points	
Mortgage assets and other securities availated rain value		e for sale (1) 2,756,932 64,004 2.38%	\$	2,692,928 0 0.00%	\$	2,629,772 (63,156) (2.35)%
Real Estate Loans Fair value Change in fair value Change as a percent of fair value	\$	140,820 5,459 4.03%	\$	135,361 0 0.00%	\$ \$	130,376 (4,985) (3.68)%
Repurchase Agreements (2) Fair value Change in fair value Change as a percent of fair value	\$	(2,498,620) n/m n/m	\$	(2,496,730) n/m n/m	\$	(2,494,840) n/m n/m
CDO Liabilities Fair value Change in fair value Change as a percent of fair value	\$	(211,519) (616) 0.29%		(210,903) n/m n/m	\$	(210,254) 649 (0.31)%
Designated and undesignated interest rates Fair value Change in fair value Change as a percent of notional value	\$ \$U \$ \$	/aps 5,439 (29,019) (2.00)	\$	34,458 0 0.00%	\$	62,133 27,675 1.91%
Credit default swaps Fair value Change in fair value Change as a percent of notional value	\$	1,542 146 0.14%	\$		\$	
Cross currency swap Fair value	\$	(931) (602) (1.30)	\$	(329) 0 0.00%	\$	

<sup>(1)</sup> The fair value of other available-for-sale investments that are sensitive to interest rate changes are included.

n/m = not meaningful

It is important to note that the impact of changing interest rates on fair value can change significantly when interest rates change beyond 100 basis points from current levels. Therefore, the volatility in the fair value of our assets could increase significantly when interest rates change beyond 100 basis points. In addition, other factors impact the fair value of our interest rate-sensitive investments and hedging instruments, such as the shape of the yield curve, market expectations as to future interest rate changes and other market conditions. Accordingly, in the event of changes in actual interest rates, the change in the fair value of our assets would likely differ from that shown above, and such difference might be material and adverse to our stockholders.

<sup>(2)</sup> The fair value of the repurchase agreements would not change materially due to the short-term nature of these instruments.

## Currency Risk

We have foreign currency exposure related to one commercial real estate loan, which is denominated in Canadian dollars. From time to time, we may make other investments that are denominated in a foreign currency through which we may be subject to foreign currency exchange risk.

Changes in currency rates can adversely impact the fair values and earnings of our non-U.S. holdings. We expect to attempt to mitigate this impact by utilizing currency swaps on our foreign currency-denominated investments or foreign currency forward commitments to hedge the net exposure.

## **Risk Management**

To the extent consistent with maintaining our REIT status, we seek to manage our interest rate risk exposure to protect our portfolio of RMBS and other mortgage securities and related debt against the effects of major interest rate changes. We generally seek to manage our interest rate risk by:

- monitoring and adjusting, if necessary, the reset indices and interest rates related to our MBS and our borrowings;
- attempting to structure our borrowing agreements to have a range of different maturities, terms, amortizations and interest rate adjustment periods;
- using derivatives, financial futures, swaps, options, caps, floors and forward sales, to adjust the interest rate sensitivity of our MBS and our borrowings; and
- actively managing, on an aggregate basis, the interest rate indices, interest rate adjustment periods, and gross reset margins of our MBS and the interest rate indices and adjustment periods of our borrowings.

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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders of Crystal River Capital, Inc. and Subsidiaries

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Crystal River Capital, Inc. and Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2005 and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2005. Our audit also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Page F-1. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Crystal River Capital, Inc. and Subsidiaries at December 31, 2005 and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2005, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

As described in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the accompanying consolidated statement of cash flows of Crystal River Capital, Inc. and Subsidiaries for the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2005 has been restated.

Ernst + Young LLP

New York, New York

May 2, 2006, except for the 1st paragraph of Note 2, which is as of July 6, 2006

### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2005

(In thousands, except share and per share data)

ASSETS:	
Available for sale securities, at fair value	\$ 206,319
Commercial MBS	512,685
Residential MBS — Non-Agency MBS	•
— Agency ARMS	1,663,462
ABS	54,530
Preferred stock	2,232
Real estate loans	146,497
Cash and cash equivalents	21,463
Restricted cash	18,499
Receivables:	44 770
Principal paydown	11,773
Interest	12,091
Interest purchased	612
Prepaid expenses and other assets	961
Deferred financing costs, net	6,662
Derivative assets	11,983
Total Assets	<u>\$2,669,769</u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 4,173
Due to Manager	486
Repurchase agreements	1,977,858
Repurchase agreement, related party	16,429
Collateralized debt obligations	227,500
Note payable, related party	35,000
Delayed funding of real estate loan	4,339
Interest payable	12,895
Derivative liabilities	9,660
Total Liabilities	2,288,340
Commitment and contingencies	
Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share; 100,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding	_
Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share; 500,000,000 shares authorized, 17,487,500 shares issued and outstanding	17
Additional paid-in capital	406,311
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(11,742)
Declared dividends in excess of earnings	(13,157)
Total Stockholders' Equity	
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$2,669,769

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE PERIOD

# MARCH 15, 2005 (COMMENCEMENT OF OPERATIONS) TO DECEMBER 31, 2005 (In thousands, except share and per share data)

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Net interest income:		
Interest income—available for sale securities	\$	76,038
Interest income—real estate loans		3,556
Total interest income		79,594
Less interest expense		48,425
Net interest income		31,169
Expenses:		<u> </u>
Management fees, related party		5,448
Professional fees		2,205
Insurance expense		250
Director's fees		141
Start up costs		349
Miscellaneous expenses		43
Total expenses		8,436
Income before other revenues (expenses)		22,733
Other revenues (expenses):		
Realized net (loss) on sale of real estate loans and securities available for		
sale		(521)
Realized and unrealized (loss) on derivatives		(2,497)
Loss on impairment of available for sale securities		(5,782)
Other		15
Total other revenues (expenses):		(8,785)
Net income	\$	13,948
Net income per share — basic	\$	0.80
Net income per share — diluted	\$	0.80
Weighted-Average number of shares outstanding:		
Basic	_17	,487,500
Diluted	17	,487,500
Dividends declared per common share	\$	1.55

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY FOR THE PERIOD

# MARCH 15, 2005 (COMMENCEMENT OF OPERATIONS) TO DECEMBER 31, 2005 (In thousands, except share data)

	Commo Stock		Additional	Accumulated Other	Declared Dividends In Excess		
	Shares	Par Value	Paid-In Capital	Comprehensive Loss	of Earnings	Total	Comprehensive Income
Net income		\$	<b>\$</b> —	<b>\$</b> —	\$ 13,948	\$ 13,948	\$ 13,948
Net unrealized holdings loss on securities available for sale				(23,447)		(23,447)	
Unrealized gain on cash flow hedges				10,632		10,632	10,632
Realized gain on cash flow hedges				1,073		1,073	1,073
Comprehensive income							\$ 2,206
Dividends declared on common stock					(27,105)	(27,105)	
Proceeds of issuance of common stock, net of offering costs	17,400,000	17	405,596			405,613	
Issuance of stock based compensation:							
Manager	84,000						
Board of directors	3,500		88			88	
Amortization of stock based compensation			627			627	
Balance — December 31, 2005	17,487,500	<u>\$17</u>	\$406,311	<u>\$(11,742</u> )	\$(13,157	\$381,429 ************************************	

#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 15, 2005 (COMMENCEMENT OF OPERATIONS) TO DECEMBER 31, 2005 (RESTATED)

(In thousands)

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Net income	4	10.040
Net income	\$	.0,0 .0
Amortization of stock based compensation		627
loans		44 (3,816)
nealized ioss on sale of real estate loans		(4) 525
Loss on impairment of available for sale securities Unrealized loss on derivatives		5,782 2,576
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		314
Interest receivable		(12,091) (961)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities  Due to Manager		4,173
Interest payable		486 12,895
Derivative liability-interest	_	5,759
Net cash provided by operating activities	_	30,257
Purchase of securities available for sale		(2,772,900)
Interest purchased		(612)
Underwriting costs on available for sale securities		(50) (941)
Principal paydown on available for sale securities		297,066
FIGUREUS ITOM THE SAIR OF AVAILABLE FOR SAIR SECURITIES		89 374
Proceeds from the sale of real estate loans		32,151 (174,881)
Net cash used in investing activities		(2,619,704)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	-	(=,0.0,.0.1
Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net of issuance costs.  Net proceeds received on settlement of interest rate swaps		405,613 1,090
ISSUANCE OF CONSTENSIONS		227,500
Payment of deferred financing costs		(18,499) (6,976)
Proceeds from note payable, related party		35,000
Net proceeds from repurchase agreements		(27,105) 1,977,858
Net proceeds from repurchase agreement, related party		16,429
Net cash provided by financing activities	_	2,610,910
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		21,463 ————
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u>\$</u>	21,463
Supplemental disclosure of cash flows:  Cash paid during the period for interest  Cash paid during the period for income taxes	\$	32,024
Supplemental disclosure of noncash investing activities:		4 000
Delayed funding of real estate loan Principal paydown receivables		4,339 11,773

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements December 31, 2005 (In thousands, except share and per share data)

#### 1. ORGANIZATION

References herein to "we," "us" or "our" refer to Crystal River Capital, Inc. and its subsidiaries unless the context specifically requires otherwise.

We are a Maryland corporation that was formed in January 2005 for the purpose of acquiring and originating a diversified portfolio of commercial and residential real estate structured finance investments. We commenced operations on March 15, 2005 when we completed an offering of 17,400,000 shares of common stock, which we refer to as the Private Offering, as more fully explained in Note 8. We are externally managed and are advised by Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River Capital Advisors, LLC (the "Manager") as more fully explained in Note 10.

We intend to elect to be taxed as a Real Estate Investment Trust ("REIT") under the Internal Revenue Code beginning with the 2005 tax year. To maintain our tax status as a REIT, we plan to distribute at least 90% of our taxable income. In view of our election to be taxed as a REIT, we have tailored our balance sheet investment program to originate or acquire loans and investments to produce a portfolio that meets the asset and income tests necessary to maintain qualification as a REIT.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Restatement to the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Subsequent to the issuance of our consolidated financial statements for the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2005, management has determined that our consolidated statement of cash flows for the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2005 should be restated to correct an error in the way we had previously presented certain net cash flows from investing and financing activities related to the acquisition and financing of securities purchased from the same counterparty. The restatement increases cash used for purchases of securities available for sale and net cash proceeds provided by repurchase agreements by \$672,583. The restatement does not affect the total net change in cash and cash equivalents on the consolidated statement of cash flows for the period ended December 31, 2005, and has no impact on our consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2005, the consolidated statement of income, the consolidated statement of changes in stockholders' equity or the income per share amounts for the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2005.

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

We are presenting the following changes to our consolidated statement of cash flows:

For the period March 15, 2005

	(commencement of operations) to December 31, 2005			
	As previously reported	As restated		
	(Amounts in t	housands)		
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:				
Purchase of securities available for sale	\$(2,100,317)	\$(2,772,900)		
Net cash used in investing activities	\$(1,947,121)	\$(2,619,704)		
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:				
Net proceeds from repurchase agreements	\$ 1,305,275	\$ 1,977,858		
Net cash provided by financing activities	\$ 1,938,327	\$ 2,610,910		
Supplemental disclosure of noncash investing and financing activities:				
Securities purchased and financed with repurchase agreements	\$ 672,583	\$ —		

#### **Principles of Consolidation**

Our consolidated financial statements include our accounts and the accounts of our wholly-owned subsidiaries, Crystal River CDO 2005-1, Ltd., Crystal River CDO 2005-1 LLC, CRC SPV1, LLC, CRC SPV2, LLC and Crystal River Capital TRS Holdings, Inc. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results may ultimately differ from those estimates.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

We classify highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of purchase as cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents may include cash and short term investments. Short term investments are stated at cost, which approximates their fair value, and may consist of investments in money market accounts.

#### Restricted Cash

Restricted cash consists primarily of funds held on deposit with brokers to serve as collateral for certain interest rate swap agreements and repurchase agreements.

#### Securities

We invest in U.S. Agency and Non-Agency securities, residential and commercial MBS and other real estate debt and equity instruments. We account for our available for sale securities (Agency ARMS, CMBS, RMBS, ABS and other real estate and equity instruments) in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 115, Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities ("SFAS 115"). We classify our securities as available for sale because we may dispose of them prior to maturity in response to changes

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

in the market, liquidity needs or other events, even though we do not hold the securities for the purpose of selling them in the near future.

All investments classified as available for sale are reported at fair value, based on quoted market prices provided by independent pricing sources, when available, or from quotes provided by dealers who make markets in certain securities, or from our management's estimates in cases where the investments are illiquid. In making these estimates, our management utilizes pricing information obtained from dealers who make markets in these securities. However, under certain circumstances we may adjust these values based on our knowledge of the securities and the underlying collateral. Our management also uses a discounted cash flow model, which utilizes prepayment and loss assumptions based upon historical experience, economic factors and the characteristics of the underlying cash flow in order to substantiate the fair value of the securities. The assumed discount rate is based upon the yield of comparable securities. The determination of future cash flows and the appropriate discount rates are inherently subjective and, as a result, actual results may vary from our management's estimates.

Unrealized gains and losses are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in stockholders' equity.

Periodically, all available for sale securities are evaluated for other than temporary impairment in accordance with SFAS 115 and Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") No. 99-20, Recognition of Interest Income and Impairment on Purchased and Retained Beneficial Interest in Securitized Financials Assets ("EITF 99-20"). An impairment that is an "other than temporary impairment" is a decline in the fair value of an investment below its amortized cost attributable to factors that indicate the decline will not be recovered over the remaining life of the investment. Other than temporary impairments result in reducing the carrying value of the security to its fair value through the statement of income, which also creates a new carrying value for the investment. We compute a revised yield based on the future estimated cash flows as described in the section titled "Revenue Recognition" below. Significant judgments, including making assumptions regarding the estimated prepayments, loss assumptions and the changes in interest rates, are required in determining impairment.

#### Real Estate Loans

Real estate loans are carried at cost, net of unamortized loan origination costs and fees, discounts, repayments, sales of partial interest in loans and unfunded commitments, unless the loan is deemed to be impaired. We account for our real estate loans in accordance with SFAS No. 91, Accounting for Nonrefundable Fees and Costs Associated with Originating or Acquiring Loans and Initial Direct Costs of Losses ("SFAS 91").

Real estate loans are evaluated for possible impairment on a periodic basis in accordance with SFAS No. 114, Accounting by Creditors For Impairment of a Loan, an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 5 and 15 ("SFAS 114"). Impairment occurs when we determine it is probable that we will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan. Upon determination of impairment, we establish a reserve for loan losses and recognize a corresponding charge to the statement of income through a provision for loan losses. Significant judgments are required in determining impairment, including making assumptions regarding the value of the loan and the value of the real estate, partnership interest or other collateral that secures the loan.

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

### Accounting For Derivative Financial Instruments and Hedging Activities

We account for our derivative and hedging activities in accordance with SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, as amended ("SFAS 133"). SFAS 133 requires us to recognize all derivative instruments at their fair value as either assets or liabilities on our balance sheet. The accounting for changes in fair value (i.e., gains or losses) of a derivative instrument depends on whether we have designated it, and whether it qualifies as, part of a hedging relationship and on the type of hedging relationship. For those derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as hedging instruments, we must designate the hedging instrument, based upon the exposure being hedged, as a fair value hedge, a cash flow hedge or a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation. We have no fair value hedges or hedges of a net investment in foreign operations as of December 31, 2005.

For derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as a cash flow hedge (*i.e.*, hedging the exposure to variability in expected future cash flows that are attributable to a particular risk), the effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative instrument is reported as a component of other comprehensive income and reclassified into earnings in the same line item associated with the forecasted transaction in the same period or periods during which the hedged transaction affects earnings (*i.e.*, in "interest expense" when the hedged transactions are interest cash flows associated with floating-rate debt). The remaining gain or loss on the derivative instrument in excess of the cumulative changes in the present value of future cash flows of the hedged item, if any, is recognized in the realized and unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives in current earnings during the period of change. For derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments, the gain or loss is recognized in realized and unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives in the current earnings during the period of change. Income and/or expense from interest rate swaps are recognized as an adjustment to interest expense. We account for income and expense from interest rate swaps on an accrual basis over the period to which the payments and/or receipts relate.

#### Dividends to Stockholders

We record dividends to stockholders on the declaration date. The actual dividend and its timing are at the discretion of our board of directors. We intend to pay sufficient dividends to avoid incurring any income or excise tax. During 2005, we declared and paid to our shareholders dividends in the amount of \$27,105.

#### **Organization Costs**

We expensed our costs of organization as incurred.

#### Offering Costs

Offering costs that were incurred in connection with the Private Offering are reflected as a reduction of additional paid-in-capital. Offering costs in connection with our planned initial public offering are currently reflected in prepaid expenses and other assets and will be reflected as a reduction of additional paid-in-capital upon the successful completion of our initial public offering or expensed if our initial public offering is not successful.

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

#### Revenue Recognition

Interest income for our available for sale securities and real estate loans is recognized over the life of the investment using the effective interest method and recorded on the accrual basis. Interest income on mortgage-backed securities ("MBS") is recognized using the effective interest method as required by EITF 99-20. Real estate loans are generally originated or purchased at or near par value, and interest income is recognized based on the contractual terms of the loan instruments. Any loan fees or acquisition costs on originated loans or securities are capitalized and recognized as a component of interest income over the life of the investment utilizing the straight-line method, which approximates the effective interest method.

Under EITF 99-20, at the time of purchase, our management estimates the future expected cash flows and determines the effective interest rate based on these estimated cash flows and the purchase price. As needed, we update these estimated cash flows and compute a revised yield based on the current amortized cost of the investment. In estimating these cash flows, there are a number of assumptions that are subject to uncertainties and contingencies, including the rate and timing of principal payments (including prepayments, repurchases, defaults and liquidations), the pass-through or coupon rate and interest rate fluctuations. In addition, interest payment shortfalls due to delinquencies on the underlying mortgage loans and the timing of the magnitude of credit losses on the mortgage loans underlying the securities have to be judgmentally estimated. These uncertainties and contingencies are difficult to predict and are subject to future events that may impact our management's estimates and our interest income.

We record security transactions on the trade date. Realized gains and losses from security transactions are determined based upon the specific identification method and recorded as gain (loss) on sale of available for sale securities and real estate loans in the statement of income.

We account for accretion of discounts or premiums on available for sale securities and real estate loans using the effective interest yield method. Such amounts have been included as a component of interest income in the statement of income.

We may sell all or a portion of our real estate investments to a third party. To the extent the fair value received for an investment differs from the amortized cost of that investment and control of the asset that is sold is surrendered making it a "true sale", as defined under SFAS No. 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishment of Liabilities ("SFAS 140"), a gain or loss on the sale will be recorded in the statement of income as realized net (loss) gain on sale of real estate loans. To the extent a real estate investment is sold that has any fees which were capitalized at the time the investment was made and were being recognized over the term of the investment, the unamortized fees are recognized at the time of sale and included in any gain or loss on sale of real estate loans.

Dividend income on preferred stock is recorded on the dividend declaration date.

#### **Deferred Financing Costs**

Deferred financing costs represent commitment fees, legal and other third party costs associated with obtaining commitments for financing that result in a closing of such financing. These costs are amortized over the terms of the respective agreements using the effective interest method or a method that approximates the effective interest method and the amortization is included in interest expense. Unamortized deferred financing costs are expensed when the associated debt is refinanced or repaid before maturity. Costs incurred in seeking

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

financing transactions that do not close are expensed in the period in which it is determined that the financing will not close.

#### Income Taxes

We intend to elect to be taxed as a REIT and to comply with the corresponding federal income tax provisions. Accordingly, we generally will not be subject to federal or state income tax to the extent that we make qualifying distributions to our stockholders and provided we satisfy the REIT requirements, including certain asset, income, distribution and stock ownership tests. If we were to fail to meet these requirements, we would be subject to federal, state and local income taxes, which could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations and amounts available for distribution to our stockholders.

The dividends paid deduction of a REIT for qualifying dividends to our stockholders is computed using our taxable income as opposed to using our financial statement net income. Some of the significant differences between financial statement net income and taxable income include the timing of recording unrealized gains/realized gains associated with certain assets, the book/tax basis of assets, interest income, impairment, credit loss recognition related to certain assets (asset-backed mortgages), accounting for derivative instruments and amortization of various costs (including start up costs).

We have a taxable REIT subsidiary ("TRS") that has made a joint election with us to be treated as our TRS. The TRS is a separate entity subject to federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code. The TRS does not own any material assets nor does it have any operations. Therefore, there is no provision for federal income tax at December 31, 2005.

#### Earnings per Share

We compute basic and diluted earnings per share in accordance with SFAS No. 128, Earnings Per Share ("SFAS 128"). Basic earnings per share ("EPS") is computed based on the income available to common stockholders divided by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS is based on the income available to common stockholders divided by the weighted average number of shares of common stock plus any additional shares of common stock attributable to stock options, provided that the options have a dilutive effect. At December 31, 2005, options to purchase a total of 126,000 shares of common stock have been excluded from the computation of diluted EPS as there would be no dilutive effect.

#### Variable Interest Entities

In January 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Interpretation No. 46, Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities — An Interpretation of ARB No. 51 ("FIN 46"). FIN 46 provides guidance on identifying entities for which control is achieved through means other than through voting rights and on determining when and which business enterprise should consolidate a variable interest entity ("VIE") when such enterprise would be determined to be the primary beneficiary. In addition, FIN 46 requires that both the primary beneficiary and all other enterprises with a significant variable interest in a VIE make additional disclosures. In December 2003, the FASB issued a revision of FIN 46, Interpretation No. 46R ("FIN 46R"), to clarify the provisions of FIN 46. FIN 46R states that a VIE is subject to consolidation if the investors in the entity being evaluated under FIN 46R either do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support, are unable to direct the entity's activities, or are not exposed to the entity's losses or entitled to its residual returns. VIEs within the scope of FIN 46R are required to be consolidated by their primary beneficiary. The primary beneficiary of a VIE is determined to be the party that absorbs a majority of the VIE's expected losses, receives the majority of the VIE's expected returns, or both.

Our ownership of the subordinated classes of commercial mortgage backed securities ("CMBS") and residential mortgage backed securities ("RMBS") from a single issuer may provide us with the right to control the foreclosure/workout process on the underlying loans, which we refer to as the Controlling Class CMBS and RMBS. There are certain exceptions to the scope of FIN 46R, one of which provides that an investor that holds a variable interest in a qualifying special-purpose entity ("QSPE") is not required to consolidate that entity unless the investor has the unilateral ability to cause the entity to liquidate. SFAS 140 sets forth the requirements for an entity to qualify as a QSPE. To maintain the QSPE exception, the special-purpose entity must initially meet the QSPE criteria and must continue to satisfy such criteria in subsequent periods. A special-purpose entity's QSPE status can be impacted in future periods by activities undertaken by its transferor(s) or other involved parties, including the manner in which certain servicing activities are performed. To the extent that our CMBS or RMBS investments were issued by a special-purpose entity that meets the QSPE requirements, we record those investments at the purchase price paid. To the extent the underlying special-purpose entities do not satisfy the QSPE requirements, we follow the guidance set forth in FIN 46R as the special purpose entities would be determined to be VIEs.

We have analyzed the pooling and servicing agreements governing each of our Controlling Class CMBS and RMBS investments and we believe that the terms of those agreements are industry standard and are consistent with the QSPE criteria. However, there is uncertainty with respect to QSPE treatment for those special-purpose entities due to ongoing review by regulators and accounting standard setters (including the FASB's project to amend SFAS 140 and the recently added FASB project on servicer discretion in a QSPE), potential actions by various parties involved with the QSPE (discussed in the paragraph above) and varying and evolving interpretations of the QSPE criteria under SFAS 140. We also have evaluated each of our Controlling Class CMBS and RMBS investments as if the special-purpose entities that issued such securities are not QSPEs. Using the fair value approach to calculate expected losses or residual returns, we have concluded that we would not be the primary beneficiary of any of the underlying special-purpose entities. Additionally, the standard setters continue to review the FIN 46R provisions related to the computations used to determine the primary beneficiary of VIEs. Future guidance from regulators and standard setters may require us to consolidate the special-purpose entities that issued the CMBS and RMBS in which we have invested as described in the section titled "Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements."

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

The following table details the purchase date, face amount of our investment, face amount of the respective issuance and our amortized cost in our CMBS and RMBS investments as of December 31, 2005 in which we own a greater than 50 percent interest in the most subordinate class:

Security Trust Description	Purchase Date	Original Face Amount Purchased	Total Face Amount of Issuance	Amortized Cost
CMBS:	· <del>· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · </del>			
GMACC 2005-C1	June 2005	\$ 53,928	\$1,597,857	\$ 29,478
WBCMT 2005-C18	May 2005	36,846	1,405,372	19,577
COMM 2005-C6	August 2005	87,538	2,272,503	54,233
BSCMS 2005-PWR9	September 2005	83,001	2,152,389	50,368
Total CMBS		261,313	7,428,121	153,656
RMBS:		,		
CWHL 2004-J8	March 2005	611	244,517	294
GSR MTG 2005-1F	March 2005	2,767	691,667	1,651
HVMLT 2005-2	March 2005	39,422	1,944,860	25,364
JPMMT 2003-A1	March 2005	809	269,635	478
WFMBS 2003-17	March 2005	3,002	1,000,331	1,784
WFMBS 2004-DD	March 2005	2,101	600,085	1,225
WFMBS 2005-2	March 2005	1,953	950,946	1,009
FHASI 2005-AR2	April 2005	39,009	281,707	34,659
FHASI 2005-AR3	June 2005	2,522	315,111	1,877
JPMMT 2005-A3	June 2005	8,696	1,895,799	6,513
FFML 2005-FF3	May 2005	5,080	770,271	4,615
WAMU 2005-AR6	April 2005	27,704	3,167,184	15,807
WFMBS 2005-AR5	May 2005	2,754	500,446	1,914
WFMBS 2004-Z	July 2005	4,552	1,300,298	2,441
FFNT 2005-FF5	July 2005	2,488	29,763	2,303
BOAMS 2005-H	August 2005	3,888	706,792	2,612
JPMMT 2005-A5	August 2005	4,726	1,195,013	3,471
FHAMS 2005-AA6	August 2005	6,476	575,025	4,521
RFMSI 2005-SA4	September 2005	1,681	850,478	1,301
FHASI 2005-AR4	September 2005	2,129	425,565	1,293
FHASI 2005-AR5	October 2005	1,082	216,253	647
Total RMBS		163,452	17,931,746	115,779
Total		<u>\$424,765</u>	\$25,359,867	\$269,435

Our maximum exposure to loss as a result of our investment in these QSPE's totaled \$269,435 as of December 31, 2005.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

The financing structures that we offer to the borrowers on certain of our real estate loans involve the creation of entities that could be deemed VIEs and therefore, could be subject to FIN 46R. Our management has evaluated these entities and has concluded that none of them are VIEs that are subject to the consolidation rules of FIN 46R.

#### Stock Based Compensation

We account for stock-based compensation in accordance with the provisions of the SFAS No. 123R, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation* ("SFAS 123R"), which establishes accounting and disclosure requirements using fair value based methods of accounting for stock-based compensation plans. Compensation expense related to grants of stock and stock options are recognized over the vesting period of such grants based on the estimated fair value on the grant date.

Stock compensation awards granted to Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River Capital Advisors, LLC, our external manager, are accounted for in accordance with EITF 96-18, *Accounting For Equity Instruments That Are Issued to Other Than Employees for Acquiring, or in Conjunction with Selling, Goods and Services,* which requires us to measure the fair value of the equity instrument using the stock prices and other measurement assumptions as of the earlier of either the date at which a performance commitment by the counterparty is reached or the date at which the counterparty's performance is complete.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk and Other Risks and Uncertainties

Our investments are primarily concentrated in mortgage backed securities that pass through collections of principal and interest from the underlying mortgages and there is a risk that some borrowers on the underlying mortgage will default. Therefore, mortgage backed securities may bear some exposure to credit losses. Our maximum exposure to loss due to credit risk if all parties to the investments failed completely to perform according to the terms of the contracts as of December 31, 2005 is \$2,439,228. Our real estate loans may bear some exposure to credit losses. Our maximum exposure to loss due to credit risk if all parties to the real estate loans failed completely to perform according to the terms of the loans as of December 31, 2005 is \$146,497.

We bear certain other risks typical in investing in a portfolio of mortgage backed securities. Principal risks potentially affecting our financial position, income and cash flows include the risk that: (i) interest rate changes can negatively affect the market values of our mortgage backed securities, (ii) interest rate changes can influence decisions made by borrowers in the mortgages underlying the securities to prepay those mortgages, which can negatively affect both the cash flows from, and the market value of, our mortgage backed securities, and (iii) adverse changes in the market value of our mortgage backed securities and/or our inability to renew short term borrowings would result in the need to sell securities at inopportune times and cause us to realize losses.

Other financial instruments that potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents and real estate loans. We place our cash and cash equivalents in excess of insured amounts with high quality financial institutions. The collateral securing our real estate loans are located in the United States and Canada as more fully described in Note 4.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

#### Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Comprehensive income (loss) consists of net income and other comprehensive income. Our other comprehensive income (loss) is comprised primarily of unrealized gains and losses on securities available for sale and the net unrealized and deferred gains and losses on certain derivative instruments accounted for as cash flow hedges.

#### Foreign Currency Transactions

We conform to the requirements of the SFAS No. 52, Foreign Currency Translation ("SFAS 52"). SFAS 52 requires us to record realized and unrealized gains and losses from transactions denominated in a currency other than our functional currency (US dollar) in determining net income.

#### Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2004, the FASB issued SFAS No. 153, Exchanges of Non-Monetary Assets, an amendment of APB Opinion No. 29 ("SFAS 153"). SFAS 153 eliminates the exception from fair value measurement for non-monetary exchanges of similar productive assets provided by APB Opinion No. 29, Accounting for Non-monetary Transactions ("APB 29"), and replaces it with an exception for exchanges that do not have commercial substance. SFAS 153 specifies that a non-monetary exchange has commercial substance if the future cash flows of the entity are expected to change significantly as a result of the exchange. SFAS 153 is effective for fiscal periods beginning after June 15, 2005 and we will adopt SFAS 153 in the first quarter of 2006. We currently do not anticipate that the effects of SFAS 153 will materially affect our consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

In May 2005, the FASB issued SFAS No. 154, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections — A Replacement of APB Opinion No. 20 and FASB Statement No. 3 ("SFAS 154"). SFAS 154 requires the retrospective application to prior periods' financial statements of changes in accounting principles, unless it is impractical to determine either the period-specific effects or the cumulative effect of the accounting change. SFAS 154 also requires that a change in the depreciation, amortization, or depletion method for long-lived non-financial assets be accounted for as a change in accounting estimate affected by a change in accounting principle. SFAS 154 is effective for accounting changes and corrections of errors made in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005 and we will adopt this provision, if applicable, during fiscal year 2006.

In November 2005, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position ("FSP") FAS 115-1, *The Meaning of Other than Temporary Impairment and its Application to Certain Investments.* This FSP, which is effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2005, addresses the determination of when an investment is considered impaired, whether that impairment is other than temporary, and the measurement of an impairment loss. We currently do not anticipate that the effects of FSP FAS 115-1 will materially affect our consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

In February 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 155, Accounting for Certain Hybrid Instruments ("SFAS 155"). SFAS 155 is an amendment of SFAS 133 and SFAS 140 that allows financial instruments that have embedded derivatives to be accounted for as a whole (eliminating the need to bifurcate the derivative from its host) if the holder elects to account for the whole instrument on a fair value basis. SFAS 155 also clarifies which interest-only strips and principal-only strips are not subject to the requirements of SFAS 133 and establishes a

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

requirement to evaluate interests in securitized financial assets to identify interests that are freestanding derivatives or that are hybrid financial instruments that contain an embedded derivative requiring bifurcation. Finally, SFAS 155 amends SFAS 140 to eliminate the prohibition on a qualifying special-purpose entity from holding a derivative financial instrument that pertains to a beneficial interest other than another derivative financial instrument. SFAS 155 is effective for fiscal periods beginning after September 15, 2006 and we will adopt SFAS 155 in the first quarter of 2007. We currently do not anticipate that the effects of SFAS 155 will materially affect our consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

In April 2006, the FASB issued FSP FIN 46 (R) -6, Determining the Variability to be Considered When Applying FASB Interpretation No. 46 (R) ("FIN 46 (R) -6"). FIN 46 (R) -6 addresses the approach to determine the variability to consider when applying FIN 46 (R). The variability that is considered in applying Interpretation 46 (R) may affect (i) the determination as to whether an entity is a VIE, (ii) the determination of which interests are variable in the entity, (iii) if necessary, the calculation of expected losses and residual returns of the entity, and (iv) the determination of which party is the primary beneficiary of the VIE. Thus, determining the variability to be considered is necessary to apply the provisions of Interpretation 46 (R). FIN 46 (R)-6 is required to be prospectively applied to entities in which we first become involved after July 1, 2006 and would be applied to all existing entities with which we are involved if and when a "reconsideration event" (as described in FIN 46) occurs. We are currently evaluating the effects of adopting FIN 46 (R)-6 on our consolidated financial statements.

#### 3. AVAILABLE FOR SALE SECURITIES

Our available for sale securities are carried at their estimated fair values. The amortized cost and estimated fair values of our available for sale securities as of December 31, 2005 are summarized as follows:

Security Description		Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	U	Gross nrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value		
CMBS	\$ 208,703		\$1,272	\$ (3,656)		\$	206,319	
Residential MBS-Non-Agency ARMs		520,825	1,221		(9,361)		512,685	
Residential MBS-Agency ARMs	1	,677,125	443		(14,106)	1	,663,462	
ABS		53,670	941		(81)		54,530	
REIT preferred stock		2,352			(120)		2,232	
Total	\$2	2,462,675	<u>\$3,877</u>	\$	(27,324)	\$2	2,439,228	

As of December 31, 2005, we pledged an aggregate of \$2,030,591 and \$248,361 in estimated fair value of our available for sale securities to secure our repurchase agreements and collateralized debt obligations, respectively.

#### 3. AVAILABLE FOR SALE SECURITIES — (Continued)

As of December 31, 2005, the aggregate estimated fair values by underlying credit rating of our available for sale securities were as follows:

	December :	December 31, 2005			
Security Rating	Estimated Fair Value	Percentage			
AAA	\$1,916,132	78.55%			
AA					
A	28,992	1.19			
BBB	188,214	7.72			
BB	164,518	6.75			
B	97,615	4.00			
Not rated	43,757	<u> </u>			
Total	\$2,439,228	100.00%			

As of December 31, 2005, the face amount and net unearned discount on our investments was as follows:

Face amount	\$2,662,103
Net unearned discount	(199,428)
Amortized cost	\$2,462,675

For the period ended December 31, 2005, \$3,779 of net discount on available for sale securities was accreted into interest income.

#### Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities ("CMBS")

Our investments include CMBS, which are mortgage backed securities that are secured by, or evidence ownership interests in, a single commercial mortgage loan, or a partial or entire pool of mortgage loans secured by commercial properties. The securities may be senior, subordinated, investment grade or non-investment grade.

The following is a summary of our CMBS investments as of December 31, 2005:

		Amostized Gross Unrealized E					Weighted Average				
Security Rating:	Amortize Cost	ed —		iross L ains		zed sses		imated r Value	Coupon	Yield	Term (yrs)
AAA	\$ -	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	—%	%	_
AA	-			_				_		_	
A	_	_		_		_		_		_	
BBB	81,63	9		245	(1	,215)	8	30,669	5.32	6.40	11.12
BB	64,31	4		33	( 1	(000,	6	3,347	4.71	7.75	10.82
В	36,30	6		540		(430)	3	36,416	4.72	11.63	13.02
Not rated	26,44	4		454	(1	<u>,011)</u>		25,887	4.69	20.76	13.75
Total CMBS	\$208,70	3	<u>\$1</u>	,272	<u>\$(3</u>	<u>,656</u> )	\$20	06,319	<u>4.87</u> %	9.54%	12.15

#### 3. AVAILABLE FOR SALE SECURITIES — (Continued)

#### Residential Mortgage Backed Securities ("RMBS")

Our investments include RMBS, which are securities that represent participations in, and are secured by or payable from, mortgage loans secured by residential property. Our RMBS investments include (i) Agency mortgage pass-through certificates, which are securities issued or guaranteed by the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac") and Government National Mortgage Association ("Ginnie Mae") and (ii) Agency Collateralized Mortgage Obligations issued by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac backed by mortgage pass-through securities and evidenced by a series of bonds or certificates issued in multiple classes (collectively, "Agency Adjustable Rate RMBS" or "Agency ARMS") and Non-Agency pass-through certificates which are rated classes in senior/subordinated structures ("Non-Agency RMBS").

The following is a summary of our Non-Agency RMBS investments as of December 31, 2005:

					Weighted Average			
Security Rating:	Amortized Cost		iross U ains	nrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value	Coupon	Yield	Terms (yrs)
AAA	\$255,086	\$		\$(2,416)	\$252,670	5.28%	5.64%	3.83
AA				_		_	******	_
A	17,511			(618)	16,893	5.90	7.29	4.43
BBB	66,273		28	(1,187)	65,114	6.16	7.55	4.77
BB	101,243		387	(2,691)	98,939	6.51	11.08	4.95
В	62,541		189	(1,531)	61,199	6.64	15.28	7.61
Not rated	18,171		617	(918)	17,870	<u>6.10</u>	<u>39.69</u>	<u>7.03</u>
Total Non-Agency RMBS	\$520,825	\$1	,221	<u>\$(9,361</u> )	\$512,685	<u>5.91</u> %	9.32%	5.04

The following is a summary of our Agency ARMS investments as of December 31, 2005:

					Weighted Average		
Security Rating:	Amortized Cost	Gross Gains	Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value	Coupon	Yield	Terms (yrs)
AAA	\$1,677,125	\$443	\$(14,106)	\$1,663,462	4.75%	5.34%	4.07
AA		_		_			_
A	_	_	_		_		
BBB	_	_			_	_	
BB				_		_	
В		_	_		_		_
Not rated							
Total Agency ARMS	\$1,677,125	\$443	\$(14,106)	\$1,663,462	<u>4.75</u> %	<u>5.34</u> %	4.07

#### Asset-Backed Securities ("ABS")

As of December 31, 2005, we invested in asset-backed securities with an estimated fair value of \$54,530. Aircraft ABS generally are collateralized by aircraft leases. Issuers of consumer and aircraft ABS generally are special-purpose entities owned or sponsored by banks and finance companies, captive finance subsidiaries of non-financial corporations or specialized originators such as credit card lenders.

#### 3. AVAILABLE FOR SALE SECURITIES — (Continued)

The following is a summary of our ABS as of December 31, 2005:

	Amortized Cost			ross	Estimated		Weighted Average		
Security Rating:			Gains	Losses			Coupon	Yield	Terms I (yrs)
AAA	\$		\$ <del></del>	<b>\$</b> —	\$		—%	—%	_
AA		_	_	_		_		_	
A	12	2,082	17	_	12	2,099	4.74	6.14	4.12
BBB	41	,588	924	(81)	42	2,431	4.85	7.02	5.93
BB		_				_	_	_	
В		_	_			_		_	_
Not rated									
Total ABS	\$53	3,670	<u>\$941</u>	<u>\$(81</u> )	\$54	,530	<u>4.83</u> %	<u>6.83</u> %	5.55

#### Other Securities

We invested in the preferred stock of Millerton I CDO with an estimated fair value of \$2,232 as of December 31, 2005. The preferred stock of Millerton I CDO had a credit rating of BB as of December 31, 2005.

#### **Unrealized Losses**

The following table sets forth the amortized cost, fair value and unrealized loss for securities we owned as of December 31, 2005:

Security Rating	Number of Securities	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss
AAA	62	\$1,515,976	\$1,499,454	\$(16,522)
AA			_	_
A	4	17,511	16,893	(618)
BBB	23	112,402	109,919	(2,483)
BB	33	127,727	123,916	(3,811)
В	31	65,349	63,388	(1,961)
Not rated	_25	25,487	23,558	(1,929)
Total	<u>178</u>	\$1,864,452	\$1,837,128	\$(27,324)

All securities that we owned as of December 31, 2005 with unrealized losses were acquired within twelve months of December 31, 2005. The unrealized losses on all securities were the result of changes in market interest rates subsequent to their purchase. The unrealized losses on non-rated bonds were also due to market conditions and price volatility. Because we have the ability and intent to hold these investments until a recovery of fair value, which may be maturity, we do not consider these investments to be other than temporarily impaired at December 31, 2005.

#### Other Than Temporary Impairments

As of December 31, 2005, we held nine Agency ARMS securities that we determined to be other than temporarily impaired. As a result, we recorded an impairment charge of \$5,782 in the statement of income that has been reclassified out of other comprehensive of income. We

#### 3. AVAILABLE FOR SALE SECURITIES — (Continued)

determined that the impairment was other than temporary as we expect to sell these securities in the near future at a loss. Through April 2006, we have sold five of the nine Agency ARMS.

#### Sale of Available for Sale Securities

During 2005, we sold one security for proceeds of \$374 realizing a gain of \$4.

#### 4. REAL ESTATE LOANS

We invest in mezzanine loans, B Notes, construction loans and whole loans. A mezzanine loan is a loan that is subordinated to a first mortgage loan on a property and is senior to the borrower's equity in the properties. Mezzanine loans are made to the property's owner and are secured by pledges of ownership interests in the property and/or the property owner. The mezzanine lender can foreclose on the pledged interests and thereby succeed to ownership of the property subject to the lien of the first mortgage.

A subordinated commercial real estate loan, which we refer to as a B Note, may be rated by at least one nationally recognized rating agency. A B Note is typically a privately negotiated loan that is secured by a first mortgage on a single large commercial property or group of related properties; and is subordinated to an A Note secured by the same first mortgage on the same property.

A construction loan represents a participation in a construction or rehabilitation loan on a commercial property that generally provides 85% to 90% of total project costs and is secured by a first lien mortgage on the property. Alternatively, mezzanine loans can be used to finance construction or rehabilitation where the security is subordinate to the first mortgage lien. Construction loans and mezzanine loans used to finance construction or rehabilitation generally would provide fees and interest income at risk-adjusted rates.

A whole mortgage loan is a loan secured by a first lien mortgage which provides mortgage financing to commercial and residential property owners and developers. Generally, mortgage loans have maturities that range from three to ten years for commercial properties and up to 30 years for residential properties.

The following is a summary of our real estate loans as of December 31, 2005:

Date of Initial Investment	Scheduled Maturity	Property Name / Location	Property Type	Face Value	Carrying Value	Interest Rate
April 2005	June 2007	1700 Broadway	Office	\$ 6,000(1)	\$ 6,000	9.59%
June 2005	July 2008	Birchwood Acres	Multi family	12,611	12,617	7.39
June 2005	November 2007	Cambridge Condos	Multi family	5,631	5,631	16.00
August 2005	July 2007	Morgan Hotel B Note	Hotel	15,890(1)	15,910	8.89
July 2005	May 2007	VIAD Corp. Center B Note	Office	9,000(1)	9,005	7.89
August 2005	September 2010	Forbes Trinchera Ranch	Land	37,000(2)	37,005	6.89
December 2005	December 2015	Atlas Term Loan	Commercial storage	17,294(3)	17,300	6.09
December 2005	July 2021	Highvale Coal Ltd	Coal Energy	43,029	43,029	5.42
Totals				\$146,455	\$146,497	

<sup>(1)</sup> Pledged as collateral for CDO notes.

<sup>(2) \$18,000</sup> of this loan was pledged as collateral for CDO notes.

<sup>(3)</sup> Pledged as collateral for repurchase agreements.

#### 4. REAL ESTATE LOANS — (Continued)

The carrying values of our loans include unamortized underwriting fees of \$42.

As of December 31, 2005, we pledged an aggregate of \$17,294 and \$48,890 in face value of our real estate loans to secure our repurchase agreements and collaterized debt obligations, respectively.

The 1700 Broadway loan is a mezzanine loan on a commercial office building located in Denver, Colorado. The loan bears interest at a floating rate equal to 5.5% over LIBOR.

The Birchwood Acres loan is a construction loan for a mixed use residential and commercial development near Orlando, Florida. The loan bears interest at a floating rate equal to 3.1% over LIBOR.

The Cambridge Condos loan is a construction loan on a residential property located in Portland, Oregon. The loan bears interest at the fixed rate of 16.0% and the loan matures in November 2007 with an extension, at the borrower's option, until May 2008.

The Morgan Hotel loan is a B Note on a commercial portfolio of five full service hotels located in Florida, New York and California. The loan bears interest at a floating rate equal to 4.5% over LIBOR. The loan was fully repaid in February 2006.

The VIAD Corporate Center loan is a B Note on a commercial real estate loan located in Phoenix, Arizona. The loan bears interest at a floating rate equal to 3.5% over LIBOR.

The Forbes Trinchera Ranch loan is a first mortgage loan on undeveloped land located in Colorado. The loan bears interest at a floating rate equal to 2.5% over LIBOR.

The Atlas Cold Storage Refrigeration loan represents a 20% pari passu interest in a revolving credit facility secured by various commercial properties located throughout Canada and the U.S. The loan bears interest at a fixed rate of 6.09%.

The Highvale Coal Ltd. loan is a commercial real estate loan on property located in Calgary, Canada. The loan bears interest at a fixed rate of 5.42%. Highvale Coal Ltd. is an affiliate of the Manager.

During 2005, we sold one loan and one loan participation for an aggregate selling price of \$32,151, net of closing costs, realizing a loss of \$525 which is recorded in realized net loss on sale of real estate loans and securities available for sale in the income statement.

#### 5. DEBT AND OTHER FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS

The following is a summary of our debt as of December 31, 2005:

Type of Debt:	Amount
Repurchase agreements	\$1,977,858
Repurchase agreements, related party	16,429
Collateralized debt obligations	227,500
Note payable, related party	35,000
Total Debt	\$2,256,787

#### Repurchase Agreements

During the period ended December 31, 2005, we entered into thirteen master repurchase agreements with ten counterparties to finance our asset purchases on a short term basis. Under these agreements, we sell our assets to the counterparties and agree to repurchase those assets on a date certain at a repurchase price generally equal to the original sales price plus

#### 5. DEBT AND OTHER FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS — (Continued)

accrued but unpaid interest. The counterparties will purchase each asset financed under the facility at a percentage of the asset's value on the date of origination, which is the purchase rate, and we will pay interest to the counterparty at short term interest rates (usually based on one-month LIBOR) plus a pricing spread. We have agreed to a schedule of purchase rates and pricing spreads with these counterparties that generally are based upon the class and credit rating of the asset being financed. The facilities are recourse to us. For financial reporting purposes, we characterize all of the borrowings under these facilities as balance sheet financing transactions.

Under the repurchase agreements, we are required to maintain adequate collateral with these counterparties. If the market value of the collateral we have pledged declines, then the counterparty may require us to provide additional collateral to secure our obligations under the repurchase agreement. As of December 31, 2005, we were required to provide additional collateral in the amount of \$18,499, which is classified as restricted cash on the balance sheet.

As of December 31, 2005, we had repurchase agreements outstanding in the amount of \$1,994,287 with a weighted-average borrowing rate of 4.33%. As of December 31, 2005, the repurchase agreements had remaining weighted-average maturities of 45 days and are summarized below:

Repurchase Counterparty	Outstanding Balance	Fair Value of Collateral	Weighted- Average Borrowing Rate	Maturity Range (days)
Related Party				
Trilon International, Inc	<u>\$ 16,429</u>	<u>\$ 17,294</u>	4.83%	89
Unrelated Parties				
Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc	377,993	391,847	4.31	9-47
Credit Suisse First Boston LLC	214,653	218,519	4.42	24-73
Deutsche Bank Securities Inc	156,536	156,169	4.19	24-47
Greenwich Capital Markets, Inc	254,017	260,168	4.31	9-73
Banc of America Securities LLC	153,183	160,180	4.44	68
Lehman Brothers Inc	332,698	327,806	4.23	9-55
Morgan Stanley & Co., Incorporated	228,821	233,962	4.30	12-55
Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC	242,946	257,169	5.32	9-73
Wachovia Bank, National Association	17,011	24,771	4.41	594
	1,977,858	2,030,591	4.33	
Total	\$1,994,287	\$2,047,885	4.33%	9-594

#### 5. DEBT AND OTHER FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS — (Continued)

As of December 31, 2005, the maturity ranges of our outstanding repurchase agreements segregated by our available for sale securities and real estate loans are as follows:

	Up to 30 days	31 to 90 days	Over 90 days	Total
Agency RMBS	\$538,808	\$1,051,235	\$ —	\$1,590,043
Non-agency RMBS	170,975	112,895	17,011	300,881
CMBS	31,815	12,974	_	44,789
ABS	24,630	17,515		42,145
Real estate loans		16,429		16,429
Total	\$766,228	\$1,211,048	<u>\$17,011</u>	\$1,994,287

In August 2005, we entered into a \$200,000 Master Repurchase Agreement (the "Master Repurchase Agreement") with Wachovia Bank (the "Bank"). The Master Repurchase Agreement is for a two year term (expires August 2007) with a one year renewal option at the Bank's discretion. Subject to the terms and conditions thereof, the Master Repurchase Agreement provides for the purchase, sale and repurchase of commercial and residential mortgage loans, commercial mezzanine loans, B Notes, participation interests in the foregoing, commercial mortgage-backed securities and other mutually agreed upon collateral and bears interest at varying rates over LIBOR based upon the type of asset included in the repurchase obligation. In November 2005, the Bank increased the borrowing capacity to \$275,000. As of December 31, 2005, the unused amount under the Master Repurchase Agreement is \$257,989.

In certain circumstances, we financed the purchase of securities from a counterparty through a repurchase agreement with the same counterparty pursuant to which we pledge the purchased securities. Currently, we record the acquisition of these securities and the related borrowing under repurchase agreements as financing liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet with changes in the fair value of the securities being recorded as a component of other comprehensive income in our stockholders' equity. Interest income earned on the securities and the interest expense incurred on the repurchase obligations are reported separately on the consolidated statement of income.

It has come to our attention and to the attention of other market participants, as well as our repurchase counterparties, that SFAS 140 may require a different accounting treatment for such transactions. Under SFAS 140, transactions in which we acquire securities from a counterparty that are financed through a repurchase agreement with the same counterparty will not qualify as a purchase by us if we are not able to conclude that the securities purchased have been legally isolated from the counterparty. If the acquisitions do not qualify as a purchase of securities under SFAS 140, then we would not be permitted to include the securities purchased and the repurchase agreements on a gross basis on our balance sheet. Additionally, we would not be able to report on a gross basis on our statement of income the related interest income and interest expense incurred. Instead, we would be required to present the net investment on our balance sheet together with an embedded derivative with the corresponding change in fair value of the derivative being recorded in the statement of income. The value of the derivative would reflect not only changes in the value of the underlying securities, but also changes in the value of the underlying credit provided by the counterparty. Although we believe our accounting for these transactions is appropriate, we will continue to evaluate our position as any interpretation of the issue among industry participants and standard setters evolves. We had 27 such transactions outstanding as of December 31, 2005, and if we had reported these transactions

#### 5. DEBT AND OTHER FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS — (Continued)

net, our assets and liabilities on our December 31, 2005 balance sheet would be reduced by \$676,280 and \$672,583, respectively.

Certain repurchase agreements contain financial covenants, of which the most restrictive relate to maintaining our REIT status and maintaining a specific net asset value or worth. We were in compliance with our financial covenants as of December 31, 2005.

#### Note Payable, Related Party

In August 2005, we borrowed \$35,000 from an affiliate of the Manager for 90 days on an unsecured basis. In November 2005, we extended the loan an additional 90 days. The note bears interest at the rate of 5.59% per annum as of December 31, 2005, and it matures on February 13, 2006. Interest expense on this note was \$703 for the period ended December 31, 2005. In addition, we had interest payable of \$250 on this note at December 31, 2005, which is included in interest payable on the balance sheet. This note was repaid in February 2006.

#### Collateralized Debt Obligations ("CDOs")

In November 2005, we issued approximately \$377,904 of CDOs through two newlyformed subsidiaries, Crystal River Capital CDO 2005-1 Ltd., or the Issuer, and Crystal River Capital CDO 2005-1 LLC, or the Co-Issuer. The CDO consists of \$227,500 of investment grade notes and \$67,750 of non-investment grade notes, which were co-issued by the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, and \$82,654 of preference shares, which were issued by the Issuer. We retained all of the non-investment grade securities, the preference shares and the common shares in the Issuer. The issuer holds assets, consisting primarily of whole loans, CMBS and RMBS securities, which serve as collateral for the CDO. Investment grade notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$217,500 were issued with floating coupons with a combined weighted average interest rate of three-month LIBOR plus 0.58%. In addition, \$10,000 of investment grade notes were issued with a fixed coupon rate of 6.02%. The CDO may be replenished, pursuant to certain rating agency guidelines relating to credit quality and diversification, with substitute collateral for loans that are repaid during the first five years of the CDO. Thereafter, the CDO securities will be retired in sequential order from the senior-most to junior-most as loans are repaid. We incurred approximately \$5,906 of issuance costs, which is amortized over the average life of the CDO. The Issuer and Co-Issuer are consolidated in our financial statements. The investment grade notes are treated as a secured financing, and are non recourse to us. Proceeds from the sale of the investment grade notes issued were used to repay outstanding debt under our repurchase agreements. The CDO was collateralized by investments with a fair value of \$297,250 as of December 31, 2005.

### 5. DEBT AND OTHER FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS — (Continued)

Scheduled maturities of our debt as of December 31, 2005 are as follows:

		CDO	Repurchase Agreements	Repurchase Agreement- Related Party	Note Payable- Related Party	Totals
2006	\$	9,185	\$1,977,858	\$16,429	\$35,000	\$2,038,472
2007		36,794	_			36,794
2008		37,974		_		37,974
2009		33,570	_			33,570
2010		43,837	_	_		43,837
Thereafter		66,140				66,140
	\$2	227,500	<u>\$1,977,858</u>	<u>\$16,429</u>	\$35,000	<u>\$2,256,787</u>

Interest expense for the period ended December 31, 2005 was \$48,425, which is comprised of interest expense on repurchase agreements of \$43,230, notes payable, related party interest expense of \$703, swap interest expense of \$3,191, CDO interest expense of \$987 and amortization of deferred financing costs of \$314.

As of December 31, 2005, interest payable is comprised of \$11,660 relating to repurchase agreements, \$987 relating to CDO notes and \$248 relating to the related party note payable.

#### 6. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

We invest in real estate construction loans. We have outstanding commitments to fund real estate construction loans in the aggregate of \$24,050 as of December 31, 2005. At December 31, 2005, we had made advances totaling \$18,242 under these commitments.

#### 7. RISK MANAGEMENT TRANSACTIONS

Our objectives in using derivatives include reducing our exposure to interest expense movements through our use of interest rate swaps, reducing our exposure to foreign currency movements through our use of foreign currency swaps, and generating additional yield for investing through our use of credit default swaps.

As of December 31, 2005, we had interest rate swap open positions with notional amounts of \$1,291,406 (including an interest rate swap with a notional amount of \$53,906 in our CDO) with a fair value of \$11,983, which are reported as derivative assets on our balance sheet. Included in derivative liabilities as of December 31, 2005 in the amount of \$9,660 is accrued interest on open swap positions, a Canadian foreign currency swap and credit default swaps with a fair value of \$5,759, \$308 and \$3,593, respectively. At December 31, 2005, we had not hedged repurchase agreements totaling \$756,787.

The change in unrealized gains of interest rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges are separately disclosed in the statement of changes in stockholders' equity. As of December 31, 2005, unrealized gains aggregating \$10,632 on cash flow hedges were recorded in other comprehensive income. The realized gain on settled swaps in the amount of \$1,090 is being amortized into income through interest expense. As of December 31, 2005, such amounts totaled \$17. The balance is deferred as a component of other comprehensive income. The unrealized gain on derivatives recorded in the statement of income for the period ended December 31, 2005 related to hedge ineffectiveness was \$382. The amount recognized in the

#### 7. RISK MANAGEMENT TRANSACTIONS — (Continued)

statement of income for the period ended December 31, 2005 related to economic hedges not designated for hedge accounting was an unrealized gain of \$803.

Interest expense incurred on derivative instruments of \$3,207 is included in interest expense on the statement of income. Net realized losses on the settlement of swaps for the period ended December 31, 2005 is \$80 and is recorded in realized and unrealized loss on derivatives in the statement of income. The estimated amount of existing net unrealized gains as of December 31, 2005 that is expected to be reclassified into earnings within the next twelve months is \$3,301.

The maturities of the notional amounts of our interest rate swaps are as follows: \$45,000 in 2006, \$403,000 in 2007, \$476,000 in 2008, \$60,000 in 2009, \$127,500 in 2010, \$30,000 in 2011, \$53,906 in 2013, \$54,000 in 2015 and \$42,000 in 2016.

As of December 31, 2005, we held 11 credit default swaps, as the protection seller, with notional amount of \$105 million. A credit default swap ("CDS") is a financial instrument used to transfer the credit risk of a reference entity from one party to another for a specified period of time. In a standard CDS contract, one party, referred to as the protection buyer, purchases credit default protection from another party, referred to as the protection seller, for a specific notional amount of obligations of a reference entity. In these transactions, the protection buyer pays a premium to the protection seller. The premium generally is paid monthly in arrears, but may be paid in full up front in the case of a CDS with a short maturity. Generally, if a credit event occurs during the term of the CDS, the protection seller pays the protection buyer the notional amount and takes delivery of the reference entity's obligation. CDSs are generally unconditional, irrevocable and non-cancelable. As of December 31, 2005, our CDSs had a net fair value of \$(3,593), which is recorded in realized and unrealized loss on derivatives in the statement of income. The premium earned from CDS in the amount of \$299 is included in realized and unrealized loss on derivatives in the statement of income.

#### 8. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

In March 2005, we completed the Private Offering in which we sold 17,400,000 shares of common stock, \$0.001 par value, at an offering price of \$25 per share, including the purchase of 400,000 shares of common stock by the initial purchasers/placement agents pursuant to an over-allotment option. We received proceeds from these transactions in the amount of \$405,613, net of underwriting commissions, placement agent fees and other offering costs totaling \$29,387. Each share of common stock entitles its holder to one vote per share. Officers, directors and entities affiliated with our Manager own 945,800 shares of our common stock as of December 31, 2005.

In March 2005, we adopted a Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") which provides for awards under the Plan in the form of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted and unrestricted stock awards, restricted stock units, deferred stock units and other performance awards. Our Manager and our officers, employees, directors, advisors and consultants who provide services to us are eligible to receive awards under the Plan. The Plan has a term of ten years and limits awards to a maximum of 1,740,000 shares of common stock for the calendar year ending December 31, 2005. For subsequent years, the maximum number of shares of common stock that may be subject to awards granted under the Plan can increase by ten percent of the difference between the number of shares of common stock outstanding at the

#### 8. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN — (Continued)

end of the current calendar year and the prior calendar year. In no event will the total number of shares that can be issued under the Plan exceed 10,000,000.

In connection with the Plan, a total of 84,000 shares of restricted common stock and 126,000 stock options (exercise price of \$25 per share) were granted to our Manager in March 2005. The Manager subsequently transferred these shares and options to certain of its officers and employees, certain of our directors and other individuals associated with our Manager who provide services to us. The restrictions on the restricted common stock lapse and full rights of ownership vest for one-third of the restricted shares and options on each of the first three anniversary dates of issuance. Vesting is predicated on the continuing involvement of our Manager in providing services to us. In addition, 3,500 shares of unrestricted stock were granted to the independent members of our board of directors in March 2005 in lieu of cash remunerations. The independent members of our board of directors were fully vested in the shares at the date of grant.

The fair value of the shares of the restricted stock issued to our Manager as of December 31, 2005 was \$2,100 and the fair value of the stock options granted as of December 31, 2005 was \$276 (\$2.19 per share). The fair value of our stock options and restricted shares was determined contemporaneously. For the period ended December 31, 2005, \$627 was expensed relating to the amortization of the restricted stock and the stock options. Compensation costs related to the restricted shares and stock options not yet recognized into earnings as of December 31, 2005 is \$1,749, which will be recognized ratably through March 2008. The fair value of the stock option granted was estimated using a Binomial option-pricing model with the following weighted-average assumptions as of December 31, 2005: dividend yield of 10.5%, expected volatility of 20%, risk-free interest rate of 5%; and expected life of the options of six years. Option valuation models require the input of highly subjective assumptions including the expected stock price volatility. Our stock options have characteristics that are significantly different from those of traded options and changes in the subjective input assumptions could materially affect the fair value estimate.

Information regarding the awards we made under the stock plan through December 31, 2005 is as follows:

	Number of Shares of Restricted Stock	Weighted Average Fair Value
Nonvested stock awards, at beginning of period		\$ —
Granted	87,500	25.00
Vested	3,500	25.00
Forfeited		
Nonvested stock awards, at end of period	84,000	\$25.00
Price range of stock awards outstanding	\$ 25.00	

### 8. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN — (Continued)

Information regarding the granted and outstanding options to purchase our common stock as of December 31, 2005 is as follows:

	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Fair Value
Options, outstanding at beginning of period	_	\$ <del></del>	\$ —
Granted	126,000	25.00	2.19
Exercised		_	_
Forfeited	_		
Options, outstanding at end of period	126,000	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$2.19</u>
Options exercisable at end of period			
Price range of options outstanding	\$ 25.00		
Weighted-average remaining contractual life	9.21 years		

#### 9. FINANCIAL RISKS

We are subject to various risks, including credit, interest rate and market risk. We are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that our interest-bearing liabilities mature or re-price at different speeds, or different bases, than our interest-earning assets. Credit risk is the risk of default on our investments that result from a counterparty's failure to make payments according to the terms of the contract.

Market risk reflects changes in the value of the securities and real estate loans due to changes in interest rates or other market factors, including the rate of prepayments of principal and the value of the collateral underlying our available for sale securities and real estate loans.

As of December 31, 2005, the mortgage loans in the underlying collateral pools for all securities we owned were secured by properties predominantly in California (22%), Florida (8%) and New York (5%). All other states are individually less than 5%.

#### 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

We entered into a management agreement (the "Agreement") with our Manager on March 15, 2005. The initial term of the Agreement expires in December 2008. After the initial term, the Agreement will be automatically renewed for a one-year term each anniversary date thereafter unless we or our Manager terminates the Agreement. The Agreement provides that our Manager will provide us with investment management services and certain administrative services and will perform our day to day operations. The base management fee for such services is equal to 1.5% of one-twelfth of our equity, as defined in the Agreement, determined on a monthly basis, payable in arrears.

In addition, under the Agreement, our Manager earns a quarterly incentive fee equal to 25% of the amount by which the quarterly net income per share, as defined in the Agreement, exceeds an amount equal to the product of the weighted average offering price per share multiplied by the higher of (i) 2.4375% or (ii) 25% of the then applicable ten-year Treasury note rate plus 0.50%, multiplied by the then weighted average number of outstanding shares for the quarter. The incentive fee is paid quarterly. The Agreement provides that 10% of the incentive management fee is to be paid in shares of our common stock (providing that such

#### 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS — (Continued)

payment does not result in our Manager owning directly or indirectly more than 9.8% of our issued and outstanding common stock) and the balance is to be paid in cash. Our Manager may, at its sole discretion, elect to receive a greater percentage of its incentive management fee in shares of our common stock.

The Agreement may be terminated upon the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the independent members of our board of directors after the expiration of the initial term and by providing at least 180 days prior notice based upon either: (i) unsatisfactory performance by our Manager that is materially detrimental to us, or (ii) a determination by the independent members of our board of directors that the management fees payable to our Manager are not fair (subject to our Manager's right to prevent a compensation termination by accepting a mutually acceptable reduction of the management fees). If we terminate the Agreement, then we must pay our Manager a termination fee equal to twice the sum of the average annual base and incentive fees earned by our Manager during the two twelve-month periods immediately preceding the date of termination, calculated as of the end of the most recently completed fiscal quarter prior to the date of termination.

We granted to our Manager 84,000 shares of our restricted common stock and options to purchase 126,000 shares of our common stock for a ten year period at a price of \$25 per share in March 2005. The restricted stock and the options vest over a three year period. For the period ended December 31, 2005, the base management expense is \$4,821, of which \$486 remains unpaid as of December 31, 2005. In addition, included in the management fee expense is \$627 of amortization of stock-based compensation related to restricted stock and options granted. No incentive management fees were incurred for the period ended December 31, 2005.

The Agreement provides that we are required to reimburse our Manager for certain expenses incurred by our Manager on our behalf provided that such costs and reimbursements are no greater than that which would be paid to outside professionals or consultants on an arm's length basis. For the period ended December 31, 2005, we did not incur any reimbursable costs due to our Manager.

Our Manager has entered into sub-advisory agreements with other affiliated entities and such fees will be paid from any management fee earned by our Manager. In addition, certain of these affiliated sub-advisory entities introduced investments to us for purchase in the amount of \$253,565. The purchase prices were at arm's length and the acquisitions were approved by the independent members of our board of directors.

Included in prepaid expenses and other assets are receivables from employees in the amount of \$54.

#### 11. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

We are required to disclose the fair value of our financial instruments for which it is practical to estimate that value under SFAS No. 107, *Disclosure about Fair Value of Financial Instruments* ("SFAS 107"). SFAS 107 defines fair value as the amount at which financial instruments could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, in other than a forced sale or liquidation. For certain of our financial instruments, fair values are not readily available since there are no active trading markets as characterized by current exchanges between willing parties. Accordingly, we derive or estimate fair value using various valuation techniques, such as computing the present value of estimated future cash flows using discount

#### 11. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS — (Continued)

rates commensurate with the risks involved. However, the determination of the estimated cash flows may be subjective and imprecise. Changes in assumptions or estimation methodologies can have a material effect on these estimated fair values. In that regard, the derived fair value estimates may not be substantiated by comparison to independent markets, and in many cases, may not be realized in immediate settlement of the instrument. The fair values indicated below are indicative of the interest rate, prepayment and loss assumptions as of December 31, 2005, and may not take into consideration the effects of subsequent interest rate, prepayment or loss assumption fluctuations or changes in the values of underlying collateral. The fair value of cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, receivables, prepaid expenses and other assets, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, due to Manager, delayed funding of real estate loans and interest payable approximate their carrying values due to the short maturities of these items.

The carrying amounts and estimated fair values of our other financial instruments as of December 31, 2005 were as follows:

	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value
Assets:		
Available for sale securities, at fair value	\$2,462,675	\$2,439,228
Real estate loans	146,497	146,455
Derivative assets	11,983	11,983
Liabilities:		
Repurchase agreements,	1,977,858	1,977,858
Repurchase agreement, related party	16,429	16,429
Collateralized debt obligations	227,500	227,500
Note payable, related party	35,000	35,000
Derivative liabilities	9,660	9,660

The methodologies used and key assumptions made to estimate fair values are as follows:

Available for sale securities — The fair value of securities available for sale is estimated by obtaining broker quotations, where available, based upon reasonable market order indications or a good faith estimate thereof. For securities where market quotes are not readily obtainable, management may also estimate values, and considers factors including the credit characteristics and term of the underlying security, market yields on securities with similar credit ratings, and sales of similar securities, where available.

Real estate loans — The fair value of our loan portfolio is estimated by using a discounted cash flow analysis, utilizing scheduled cash flows and discount rates estimated by management to approximate those that a willing buyer and seller might use.

Derivative assets and liabilities — The fair value of our derivative assets and liabilities is estimated using current market quotes and third-party quotations, where available.

Repurchase agreements — Our management believes that the stated interest rates approximate market rates (when compared to similar credit facilities with similar credit risk). As such, the fair value of the repurchase agreement is estimated to be equal to the outstanding principal amount.

#### 11. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS — (Continued)

Collateralized debt obligations and note payable, related party — The fair value of CDOs and note payable, related party is estimated using a discounted cash flow analysis, based on our management's estimates of market interest rates. For mortgages where we have an early prepayment right, our management also considers the prepayment amount to evaluate the fair value.

#### 12. REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

At the time of the Private Offering, we entered into a Registration Rights Agreement that requires, among other things, that we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission no later than December 10, 2005 a resale registration statement providing for the resale of the shares of our common stock that we sold in the Private Offering. We filed the resale registration statement on December 9, 2005. We also are required to use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the resale registration statement to become effective as promptly as practicable after the filing and to list our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange or the NASDAQ Stock Market if we meet the criteria for listing.

#### 13. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In January 2006, the counterparty to three of our repurchase agreements initiated a margin call in the amount of \$4,800. We subsequently transferred \$3,100 in cash and \$1,700 in securities to the counterparty in connection with the margin call.

In January 2006, we entered into an agreement with Credit Suisse First Boston ("CSFB") whereby CSFB will act as sole and exclusive structurer and placement agent with respect to an MBS and ABS CDO. The CDO is scheduled to include various mortgage backed and asset-backed securities totaling \$300,000 to \$400,000. The securities to be included in this transaction will be securities that we own, as well as future acquisitions.

In February 2006, we entered into an agreement with Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. ("DBSI") whereby DBSI will act as an exclusive financial advisor in connection with the structuring and placement of our CMBS CDO. The CDO is scheduled to include various commercial real estate assets in the amount of \$300,000 to \$400,000 and we expect it to close by December 31, 2006.

In March 2006, we entered into an unsecured credit facility in the aggregate amount of \$31,000 with a financial institution. The agreement expires in March 2009. The credit facility requires that each month the amount borrowed is fully repaid. The credit facility bears interest at the rate of the bank's prime interest rate or LIBOR plus 1.75%.

On March 31, 2006, we declared a dividend on our common stock in the amount of \$0.725 per share in the total amount of \$12,702, payable on April 17, 2006 to stockholders of record on March 31, 2006.

### Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands)

(In thousands)		
	June 30, 2006	December 31, 2005
•	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Assets		
Available for sale securities, at fair value:	\$ 303,064	\$ 206,319
Commercial MBS		*
Residential MBS — Non-Agency MBS	542,287	512,685
— Agency ARMS	1,792,615	1,663,462
ABS	50,328	54,530
Preferred stock	4,634	2,232
Real estate loans	135,361	146,497
Cash and cash equivalents	56,200	21,463
Restricted cash	82,465	18,499
Receivables:	7.004	44 770
Principal paydown	7,824	11,773
Interest	15,089	12,091
Interest purchased	663	612
Due from broker	114,429	
Prepaid expenses and other assets	2,245	961
Deferred financing costs, net	5,887	6,662
Derivative assets	35,854	11,983
Total assets	<u>\$3,148,945</u>	\$2,669,769
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and cash collateral payable	\$ 27,278	\$ 4,173
Due to Manager	2,820	486
Dividends payable	12,705	_
Repurchase agreements	2,439,496	1,977,858
Repurchase agreements, related party	57,234	16,429
Collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs")	210,903	227,500
Note payable, related party	_	35,000
Delayed funding of real estate loan		4,339
Interest payable	18,332	12,895
Derivative liabilities	6,575	9,660
	2,775,343	2,288,340
Total liabilities	2,775,343	2,200,340
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share; 100,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding	_	_
Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, 500,000,000 shares authorized, 17,523,500 and 17,487,500 shares outstanding at June 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, respectively	18	17
Additional paid-in capital	406.979	406,311
Additional paid-in capital	(16,269)	(11,742)
Declared dividends in excess of earnings	(10,203)	(13,157)
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Total stockholders' equity	373,602	381,429
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$3,148,945</u>	\$2,669,769

See accompanying notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements.

# Consolidated Statements of Income (In thousands, except share and per share data) (Unaudited)

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	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended		March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to		
		2006	_	2005	_Jun	e 30, 2006	June	<del>3</del> 30, 2005
Revenues:								
Net interest income:								
Interest income — available for sale securities	\$	42,815	\$	14,794	\$	81,174	\$	15,507
Interest income — real estate loans		2,478		301		5,089		301
Total interest income		45,293		15,095		86,263		15,808
Less interest expense		(31,425)		(7,542)		(60,276)		(7,645)
Net interest income		13,868		7,553		25,987		8,163
Expenses:								
Management fees, related party		1,635		1,749		3,312		2,069
Professional fees		753		682		1,514		723
Insurance expense		99		77		190		90
Directors' fees		92		27		236		35
Start up costs		-		_		_		292
Miscellaneous expenses		157		121		249		130
Total expenses		2,736		2,656		5,501		3,339
Income before other revenues								
(expenses)		11,132		4,897		20,486		4,824
Other revenues (expenses):								
Realized net loss on sale of securities available								
for sale		(1,100)		_		(1,668)		_
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives		(481)		(4,565)		7,449		(4,370)
Loss on impairment of available for sale		(101)		(4,000)		7,440		(4,070)
securities		(5,666)				(6,924)		
Foreign currency exchange gain		2,066		_		1,875		_
Other		57		(17)		234		(17)
Total other revenues (expenses)		(5,124)		(4,582)		966		(4,387)
Net income	\$	6,008	\$	315	\$	21,452	\$	437
Per share information:						_		
Net income per share of common stock:								
Basic	\$	0.34	\$	0.02	\$	1.22	\$	0.02
Diluted	\$	0.34	\$	0.02	\$	1.22	\$	0.02
Weighted average number of shares outstanding:								
Basic		,528,607	_17	7,487,500	17	,511,937	17	,487,500
Diluted		,528,607	_17	7,487,500	17	,511,937	17	,487,500
Dividends declared per common share	\$	0.725	\$	0.25	\$	1.45	\$	0.25

See accompanying notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements.

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2006 (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Common S	Stock	Additional	Accumulated Other	Declared Dividends In Excess		
	Shares	Par Value	Paid-In Capital	Comprehensive Loss	of Earnings	Total	Comprehensive Income
Balance at January 1, 2006	17,487,500	\$17	\$406,311	\$(11,742)	\$ (13,157)	\$ 381,429	
Net income					21,452	21,452	\$ 21,452
Net unrealized holdings loss on securities available for sale				(24,064)		(24,064)	(24,064)
Unrealized gain on cash flow hedges				19,604		19,604	19,604
Amortization of realized cash flow hedge gain				(67)		(67)	(67)
Comprehensive income							<u>\$ 16,925</u>
Dividends declared on common stock					(25,421)	(25,421)	
Issuance of stock based compensation:							
Manager and manager's employees	34,000	1	(1)	1		_	
Board of directors	2,000						
Amortization of stock based compensation			669			669	
Balance at June 30, 2006	17,523,500	<u>\$18</u>	\$406,979	\$(16,269)	<u>\$ (17,126</u> )	\$ 373,602	

# Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2006	March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income	\$ 21,452	\$ 437
Dividend declared and expensed to directors and manager	660	22 266
Amortization of realized cash flow hedge gain	64 (67)	=
loans	(4,093) 1,668 6,924	(941) —
Accretion of interest on real estate loan	(538)	<u> </u>
Unrealized (gain) loss on derivatives	(7,840)	4,290
Amortization of deferred financing costs	985	
Gain on foreign currency exchange	(1,762)	(7.044)
Swap interest receivable	(3,348)	(7,844) (841)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(1,284)	(262)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(2,413)	1,037
Due to Manager	2,334	511
Interest payable	5,437	4,809
Net cash provided by operating activities	488 18,667	<u>3,360</u> 4,844
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	10,007	4,844
Purchase of securities available for sale	(828,504) (51)	(1,824,502) (1,938)
Underwriting costs on available for sale securities	(339) 253,927	41,555
Principal payments on real estate loans	155 182,482	_
Proceeds from the repayment of real estate loans	15,845	<u> </u>
Funding of real estate loans	(6,926)	(38,224)
Net cash used in investing activities	(383,411)	(1,823,109)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net of issuance costs		405,614
Cash collateral payable	25,518	_
Principal repayments on collateralized debt obligations  Net deposits into restricted cash  Payment of deformed financial contacts	(16,597) (63,966)	(3,650)
Payment of deferred financing costs	(210) (35,000)	_
Dividends paid	(12,707)	_
Net proceeds from repurchase agreements	461,638 40,805	1,436,547
Net cash provided by financing activities	399,481	1,838,511
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	34,737 21,463	20,246
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 56,200	\$ 20,246
Supplemental disclosure of noncash investing and financing activities:  Prepaid stock compensation issued to directors	* —	\$ 54
Dividends declared, not yet paid	12,714	4,350
Principal paydown receivable Purchase of available for sale securities not yet settled	7,824	11,874
Sale of available for sale securities not yet settled	114,079	108,087 —

See accompanying notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements June 30, 2006 (In thousands, except share and per share data) (unaudited)

#### 1. ORGANIZATION

References herein to "we," "us" or "our" refer to Crystal River Capital, Inc. and its subsidiaries unless the context specifically requires otherwise.

We are a Maryland corporation that was formed in January 2005 for the purpose of acquiring and originating a diversified portfolio of commercial and residential real estate structured finance investments. We commenced operations on March 15, 2005 when we completed an offering of 17,400,000 shares of common stock, which we refer to as the Private Offering, as more fully explained in Note 8. We are externally managed and are advised by Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River Capital Advisors, LLC (the "Manager") as more fully explained in Note 10.

We intend to elect to be taxed as a Real Estate Investment Trust ("REIT") under the Internal Revenue Code beginning with the 2005 tax year. To maintain our tax status as a REIT, we plan to distribute at least 90% of our taxable income. In view of our election to be taxed as a REIT, we have tailored our balance sheet investment program to originate or acquire loans and investments to produce a portfolio that meets the asset and income tests necessary to maintain qualification as a REIT.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of Quarterly Presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10, Rule 10-O1 of Regulation S-X for interim financial statements. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (''GAAP'') for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (which includes only normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly the financial position, results of operations and changes in cash flows have been made. These consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements and notes thereto for the period ended December 31, 2005 included in the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

#### **Principles of Consolidation**

Our consolidated financial statements include our accounts and the accounts of our wholly-owned subsidiaries, Crystal River CDO 2005-1, Ltd., Crystal River CDO 2005-1 LLC, CRC SPV1, LLC, CRC SPV2, LLC and Crystal River Capital TRS Holdings, Inc. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results may ultimately differ from those estimates.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

We classify highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of purchase as cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents may include cash and short term investments. Short term investments are stated at cost, which approximates their fair value, and may consist of investments in money market accounts.

## Securities

We invest in U.S. Agency and Non-Agency securities, residential and commercial MBS and other real estate debt and equity instruments. We account for our available for sale securities (Agency ARMS, CMBS, RMBS, ABS and other real estate and equity instruments) in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 115, Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities ("SFAS 115"). We classify our securities as available for sale because we may dispose of them prior to maturity in response to changes in the market, liquidity needs or other events, even though we do not hold the securities for the purpose of selling them in the near future.

All investments classified as available for sale are reported at fair value, based on quoted market prices provided by independent pricing sources, when available, or from quotes provided by dealers who make markets in certain securities, or from our management's estimates in cases where the investments are illiquid. In making these estimates, our management utilizes pricing information obtained from dealers who make markets in these securities. However, under certain circumstances we may adjust these values based on our knowledge of the securities and the underlying collateral. Our management also uses a discounted cash flow model, which utilizes prepayment and loss assumptions based upon historical experience, economic factors and the characteristics of the underlying cash flow in order to substantiate the fair value of the securities. The assumed discount rate is based upon the yield of comparable securities. The determination of future cash flows and the appropriate discount rates are inherently subjective and, as a result, actual results may vary from our management's estimates.

Unrealized gains and losses are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss in stockholders' equity.

Periodically, all available for sale securities are evaluated for other than temporary impairment in accordance with SFAS 115 and Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") No. 99-20, Recognition of Interest Income and Impairment on Purchased and Retained Beneficial Interest in Securitized Financials Assets ("EITF 99-20"). An impairment that is an "other than temporary impairment" is a decline in the fair value of an investment below its amortized cost attributable to factors that indicate the decline will not be recovered over the remaining life of the investment. Other than temporary impairments result in reducing the carrying value of the security to its fair value through the statement of income, which also creates a new carrying value for the investment. We compute a revised yield based on the future estimated cash flows as described in the section titled "Revenue Recognition" below. Significant judgments, including making assumptions regarding the estimated prepayments, loss assumptions and the changes in interest rates, are required in determining impairment.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

## Real Estate Loans

Real estate loans are carried at cost, net of unamortized loan origination costs and fees, discounts, repayments, sales of partial interests in loans and unfunded commitments, unless the loan is deemed to be impaired. We account for our real estate loans in accordance with SFAS No. 91, Accounting for Nonrefundable Fees and Costs Associated with Originating or Acquiring Loans and Initial Direct Costs of Leases ("SFAS 91").

Real estate loans are evaluated for possible impairment on a periodic basis in accordance with SFAS No. 114, Accounting by Creditors For Impairment of a Loan, an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 5 and 15 ("SFAS 114"). Impairment occurs when we determine it is probable that we will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan. Upon determination of impairment, we establish a reserve for loan losses and recognize a corresponding charge to the statement of income through a provision for loan losses. Significant judgments are required in determining impairment, including making assumptions regarding the value of the loan and the value of the real estate, partnership interest or other collateral that secures the loan.

## Accounting For Derivative Financial Instruments and Hedging Activities

We account for our derivative and hedging activities in accordance with SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, as amended ("SFAS 133"). SFAS 133 requires us to recognize all derivative instruments at their fair value as either assets or liabilities on our balance sheet. The accounting for changes in fair value (i.e., gains or losses) of a derivative instrument depends on whether we have designated it, and whether it qualifies, as part of a hedging relationship and on the type of hedging relationship. For those derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as hedging instruments, we must designate the hedging instrument, based upon the exposure being hedged, as a fair value hedge, a cash flow hedge or a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation. We have no fair value hedges or hedges of a net investment in foreign operations as of June 30, 2006.

For derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as a cash flow hedge (*i.e.*, hedging the exposure to variability in expected future cash flows that are attributable to a particular risk), the effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative instrument is reported as a component of other comprehensive income and reclassified into earnings in the same line item associated with the forecasted transaction in the same period or periods during which the hedged transaction affects earnings (*i.e.*, in "interest expense" when the hedged transactions are interest cash flows associated with floating-rate debt). The remaining gain or loss on the derivative instrument in excess of the cumulative changes in the present value of future cash flows of the hedged item, if any, is recognized in the realized and unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives in current earnings during the period of change. For derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments (including foreign currency swaps), the gain or loss is recognized in realized and unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives in the current earnings during the period of change. Income and/or expense from interest rate swaps are recognized as an adjustment to interest expense. We account for income and expense from interest rate swaps on an accrual basis over the period to which the payments and/or receipts relate.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

## Dividends to Stockholders

We record dividends to stockholders on the declaration date. The actual dividend and its timing are at the discretion of our board of directors. We intend to pay sufficient dividends to avoid incurring any income or excise tax. During the six months ended June 30, 2006, we declared dividends in the amount of \$25,421, of which \$12,707 was distributed on April 17, 2006 and \$12,714 was distributed on July 21, 2006.

## Offering Costs

Offering costs that were incurred in connection with the Private Offering are reflected as a reduction of additional paid-in-capital. Offering costs in connection with our initial public offering, which closed on August 2, 2006, are currently reflected in prepaid expenses and other assets and will be reflected as a reduction of additional paid-in-capital commencing in the third quarter of 2006.

## Revenue Recognition

Interest income for our available for sale securities and real estate loans is recognized over the life of the investment using the effective interest method and recorded on the accrual basis. Interest income on mortgage-backed securities ("MBS") is recognized using the effective interest method as required by EITF 99-20. Real estate loans are generally originated or purchased at or near par value, and interest income is recognized based on the contractual terms of the loan instruments. Any loan fees or acquisition costs on originated loans or securities are capitalized and recognized as a component of interest income over the life of the investment utilizing the straight-line method, which approximates the effective interest method.

Under EITF 99-20, at the time of purchase, our management estimates the future expected cash flows and determines the effective interest rate based on these estimated cash flows and the purchase price. As needed, we update these estimated cash flows and compute a revised yield based on the current amortized cost of the investment. In estimating these cash flows, there are a number of assumptions that are subject to uncertainties and contingencies, including the rate and timing of principal payments (including prepayments, repurchases, defaults and liquidations), the pass-through or coupon rate and interest rate fluctuations. In addition, interest payment shortfalls due to delinquencies on the underlying mortgage loans and the timing and the magnitude of credit losses on the mortgage loans underlying the securities have to be judgmentally estimated. These uncertainties and contingencies are difficult to predict and are subject to future events that may impact our management's estimates and our interest income.

We record security transactions on the trade date. Realized gains and losses from security transactions are determined based upon the specific identification method and recorded as gain (loss) on sale of available for sale securities in the statement of income.

We account for accretion of discounts or premiums on available for sale securities and real estate loans using the effective interest yield method. Such amounts have been included as a component of interest income in the statements of income.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

We may sell all or a portion of our real estate investments to a third party. To the extent the fair value received for an investment differs from the amortized cost of that investment and control of the asset that is sold is surrendered making it a "true sale", as defined under SFAS No. 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishment of Liabilities ("SFAS 140"), a gain or loss on the sale will be recorded in the statement of income as realized net gain (loss) on sale of real estate loans. To the extent a real estate investment is sold that has any fees which were capitalized at the time the investment was made and were being recognized over the term of the investment, the unamortized fees are recognized at the time of sale and included in any gain or loss on sale of real estate loans.

Dividend income on preferred stock is recorded on the dividend declaration date.

## Income Taxes

We intend to elect to be taxed as a REIT and to comply with the corresponding federal income tax provisions. Accordingly, we generally will not be subject to federal or state income tax to the extent that we make qualifying distributions to our stockholders and provided we satisfy the REIT requirements, including certain asset, income, distribution and stock ownership tests. If we were to fail to meet these requirements, we would be subject to federal, state and local income taxes, which could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations and amounts available for distribution to our stockholders.

The dividends paid deduction of a REIT for qualifying dividends to our stockholders is computed using our taxable income as opposed to using our financial statement net income. Some of the significant differences between financial statement net income and taxable income include the timing of recording unrealized gains/realized gains associated with certain assets, the book/tax basis of assets, interest income, impairment, credit loss recognition related to certain assets (asset-backed mortgages), accounting for derivative instruments and stock compensation and amortization of various costs (including start up costs).

We have a taxable REIT subsidiary ("TRS") that has made a joint election with us to be treated as our TRS. The TRS is a separate entity subject to federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code. During the quarter ended June 30, 2006, the TRS recorded a \$28 current income tax accrual which is included in other expenses.

## Earnings per Share

We compute basic and diluted earnings per share in accordance with SFAS No. 128, Earnings Per Share ("SFAS 128"). Basic earnings per share ("EPS") is computed based on the income available to common stockholders divided by the weighted average number of shares of common stock and other participating securities outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS is based on the income available to common stockholders divided by the weighted average number of shares of common stock plus any additional shares of common stock attributable to stock options, provided that the options have a dilutive effect. At June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2005, options to purchase a total of 130,000 shares of common stock and 126,000 shares of common stock, respectively, have been excluded from the computation of diluted EPS as there would be no dilutive effect.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

## Variable Interest Entities

In January 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Interpretation No. 46, Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities - An Interpretation of ARB No. 51 ("FIN 46"). FIN 46 provides guidance on identifying entities for which control is achieved through means other than through voting rights and on determining when and which business enterprise should consolidate a variable interest entity ("VIE") when such enterprise would be determined to be the primary beneficiary. In addition, FIN 46 requires that both the primary beneficiary and all other enterprises with a significant variable interest in a VIE make additional disclosures. In December 2003, the FASB issued a revision of FIN 46, Interpretation No. 46R ("FIN 46R"), to clarify the provisions of FIN 46. FIN 46R states that a VIE is subject to consolidation if the investors in the entity being evaluated under FIN 46R either do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support, are unable to direct the entity's activities, or are not exposed to the entity's losses or entitled to its residual returns. VIEs within the scope of FIN 46R are required to be consolidated by their primary beneficiary. The primary beneficiary of a VIE is determined to be the party that absorbs a majority of the VIE's expected losses, receives the majority of the VIE's expected returns, or both.

Our ownership of the subordinated classes of commercial mortgage backed securities ("CMBS") and residential mortgage backed securities ("RMBS") from a single issuer may provide us with the right to control the foreclosure/workout process on the underlying loans, which we refer to as the Controlling Class CMBS and RMBS. There are certain exceptions to the scope of FIN 46R, one of which provides that an investor that holds a variable interest in a qualifying special-purpose entity ("QSPE") is not required to consolidate that entity unless the investor has the unilateral ability to cause the entity to liquidate. SFAS 140 sets forth the requirements for an entity to qualify as a QSPE. To maintain the QSPE exception, the special-purpose entity must initially meet the QSPE criteria and must continue to satisfy such criteria in subsequent periods. A special-purpose entity's QSPE status can be impacted in future periods by activities undertaken by its transferor(s) or other involved parties, including the manner in which certain servicing activities are performed. To the extent that our CMBS or RMBS investments were issued by a special-purpose entity that meets the QSPE requirements, we record those investments at the purchase price paid. To the extent the underlying specialpurpose entities do not satisfy the QSPE requirements, we follow the guidance set forth in FIN 46R as the special purpose entities would be determined to be VIEs.

We have analyzed the pooling and servicing agreements governing each of our Controlling Class CMBS and RMBS investments and we believe that the terms of those agreements are industry standard and are consistent with the QSPE criteria. However, there is uncertainty with respect to QSPE treatment for those special-purpose entities due to ongoing review by regulators and accounting standard setters (including the FASB's project to amend SFAS 140 and the recently added FASB project on servicer discretion in a QSPE), potential actions by various parties involved with the QSPE (discussed in the paragraph above) and varying and evolving interpretations of the QSPE criteria under SFAS 140. We also have evaluated each of our Controlling Class CMBS and RMBS investments as if the special-purpose entities that issued such securities are not QSPEs. Using the fair value approach to calculate expected losses or

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

residual returns, we have concluded that we would not be the primary beneficiary of any of the underlying special-purpose entities. Additionally, the standard setters continue to review the FIN 46R provisions related to the computations used to determine the primary beneficiary of VIEs. Future guidance from regulators and standard setters may require us to consolidate the special-purpose entities that issued the CMBS and RMBS in which we have invested as described in the section titled "Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements."

Our maximum exposure to loss as a result of our investment in these QSPEs totaled \$325,196 as of June 30, 2006.

The financing structures that we offer to the borrowers on certain of our real estate loans involve the creation of entities that could be deemed VIEs and therefore, could be subject to FIN 46R. Our management has evaluated these entities and has concluded that none of them are VIEs that are subject to the consolidation rules of FIN 46R.

## Stock Based Compensation

We account for stock-based compensation in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 123R, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation* ("SFAS 123R"), which establishes accounting and disclosure requirements using fair value based methods of accounting for stock-based compensation plans. Compensation expense related to grants of stock and stock options are recognized over the vesting period of such grants based on the estimated fair value on the grant date.

Stock compensation awards granted to Hyperion Brookfield Crystal River Capital Advisors, LLC, our external manager, and certain employees of the manager's affiliates are accounted for in accordance with EITF 96-18, Accounting For Equity Instruments That Are Issued to Other Than Employees for Acquiring, or in Conjunction with Selling, Goods and Services, which requires us to measure the fair value of the equity instrument using the stock prices and other measurement assumptions as of the earlier of either the date at which a performance commitment by the counterparty is reached or the date at which the counterparty's performance is complete.

## Concentration of Credit Risk and Other Risks and Uncertainties

Our investments are primarily concentrated in mortgage backed securities that pass through collections of principal and interest from the underlying mortgages and there is a risk that some borrowers on the underlying mortgages will default. Therefore, mortgage backed securities may bear some exposure to credit losses. Our maximum exposure to loss due to credit risk if all parties to the investments failed completely to perform according to the terms of the contracts as of June 30, 2006 is \$2,692,928. Our real estate loans may bear some exposure to credit losses. Our maximum exposure to loss due to credit risk if parties to the real estate loans, related and unrelated, failed completely to perform according to the terms of the loans as of June 30, 2006 is \$135,361.

We bear certain other risks typical in investing in a portfolio of mortgage backed securities. Principal risks potentially affecting our financial position, income and cash flows include the risk that: (i) interest rate changes can negatively affect the market values of our mortgage backed securities, (ii) interest rate changes can influence decisions made by borrowers in the

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mortgages underlying the securities to prepay those mortgages, which can negatively affect both the cash flows from, and the market value of, our mortgage backed securities, and (iii) adverse changes in the market value of our mortgage backed securities and/or our inability to renew short term borrowings would result in the need to sell securities at inopportune times and cause us to realize losses.

Other financial instruments that potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents and real estate loans. We place our cash and cash equivalents in excess of insured amounts with high quality financial institutions. The collateral securing our real estate loans are located in the United States and Canada.

## Other Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income consists of net income and other comprehensive income. Our other comprehensive income is comprised primarily of unrealized gains and losses on securities available for sale and net unrealized and deferred gains and losses on certain derivative investments accounted for as cash flow hedges.

## Foreign Currency Transactions

We conform to the requirements of SFAS No. 52, Foreign Currency Translation ("SFAS 52"). SFAS 52 requires us to record realized and unrealized gains and losses from transactions denominated in a currency other than our functional currency (US dollar) in determining net income.

## Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2004, the FASB issued SFAS No. 153, Exchanges of Non-Monetary Assets, an amendment of APB Opinion No. 29 ("SFAS 153"). SFAS 153 eliminates the exception from fair value measurement for non-monetary exchanges of similar productive assets provided by APB Opinion No. 29, Accounting for Non-monetary Transactions ("APB 29"), and replaces it with an exception for exchanges that do not have commercial substance. SFAS 153 specifies that a non-monetary exchange has commercial substance if the future cash flows of the entity are expected to change significantly as a result of the exchange. SFAS 153 is effective for fiscal periods beginning after June 15, 2005 and we adopted SFAS 153 in the first quarter of 2006. The adoption of SFAS 153 did not materially affect our consolidated financial statements.

In May 2005, the FASB issued SFAS No. 154, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections — A Replacement of APB Opinion No. 20 and FASB Statement No. 3 ("SFAS 154"). SFAS 154 requires the retrospective application to prior periods' financial statements of changes in accounting principles, unless it is impractical to determine either the period-specific effects or the cumulative effect of the accounting change. SFAS 154 also requires that a change in the depreciation, amortization, or depletion method for long-lived non-financial assets be accounted for as a change in accounting estimate affected by a change in accounting principle. SFAS 154 is effective for accounting changes and corrections of errors made in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. We adopted SFAS 154 in the first quarter of 2006. The adoption of SFAS 154 did not materially affect our consolidated financial statements.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

In November 2005, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position ("FSP") FAS 115-1, *The Meaning of Other than Temporary Impairment and its Application to Certain Investments*. This FSP, which is effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2005, addresses the determination of when an investment is considered impaired, whether that impairment is other than temporary, and the measurement of an impairment loss. We adopted FSP FAS 115-1 in the first quarter of 2006. The adoption of FSP FAS 115-1 did not materially affect our consolidated financial statements.

## Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted

In February 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 155, Accounting for Certain Hybrid Instruments ("SFAS 155"). SFAS 155 is an amendment of SFAS 133 and SFAS 140 that allows financial instruments that have embedded derivatives to be accounted for as a whole (eliminating the need to bifurcate the derivative from its host) if the holder elects to account for the whole instrument on a fair value basis. SFAS 155 also clarifies which interest-only strips and principal-only strips are not subject to the requirements of SFAS 133 and establishes a requirement to evaluate interests in securitized financial assets to identify interests that are freestanding derivatives or that are hybrid financial instruments that contain an embedded derivative requiring bifurcation. Finally, SFAS 155 amends SFAS 140 to eliminate the prohibition on a qualifying special-purpose entity from holding a derivative financial instrument that pertains to a beneficial interest other than another derivative financial instrument. SFAS 155 is effective for fiscal periods beginning after September 15, 2006 and we will adopt SFAS 155 in the first quarter of 2007. We currently do not anticipate that the effects of SFAS 155 will materially affect our consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

In March 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 156, Accounting for Servicing of Financial Assets — an amendment of FASB Statement No. 140 ("SFAS 156"). SFAS 156 requires: 1) an entity to recognize a servicing asset or servicing liability each time it undertakes an obligation to service a financial asset by entering into a servicing contract under certain conditions, 2) all separately recognized servicing assets and servicing liabilities to be initially measured at fair value, if practicable, and 3) permits an entity to choose either the amortization method or the fair value measurement method for subsequent measurement of each class of separately recognized servicing assets and servicing liabilities. SFAS 156 is effective for fiscal periods beginning after September 15, 2006 and we will adopt SFAS 156 in the first quarter 2007. We currently do not anticipate that the effects of SFAS 156 will materially affect our consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

In April 2006, the FASB issued FSP FIN 46(R)-6, Determining the Variability to be Considered When Applying FASB Interpretation No. 46(R) ("FIN 46(R)-6"). FIN 46(R)-6 addresses the approach to determine the variability to consider when applying FIN 46(R). The variability that is considered in applying Interpretation 46(R) may affect (i) the determination as to whether an entity is a VIE, (ii) the determination of which interests are variable in the entity, (iii) if necessary, the calculation of expected losses and residual returns on the entity, and (iv) the determination of which party is the primary beneficiary of the VIE. Thus, determining the variability to be considered is necessary to apply the provisions of Interpretation 46(R). FIN 46(R)-6 is required to be prospectively applied to entities in which

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

we first become involved after July 1, 2006 and would be applied to all existing entities with which we are involved if and when a "reconsideration event" (as described in FIN 46) occurs. We are currently evaluating the effects of adopting FIN 46 (R) -6 on our consolidated financial statements.

The FASB has placed on its agenda the accounting treatment of transactions whereby securities purchased from a particular counterparty are financed with same counterparty through a repurchase agreement pursuant to which we pledge the purchased securities. Currently, we record the acquisition of these securities and the related borrowing under repurchase agreements as assets and liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet, and the corresponding interest income and interest expense on the consolidated income statement. Any changes in the fair value of the securities are reported through other comprehensive income pursuant to FASB No. 115, Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities, because the securities are classified as available for sale. However, in a transaction where the securities are acquired from and financed under a repurchase agreement with the same counterparty, the acquisition may not qualify as a sale from the seller's perspective under SFAS No. 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities. In such cases, the sellers may be required to continue to consolidate the assets sold to us, based on their continuing involvement with such investments. Depending on the ultimate outcome of the FASB's deliberations, we may be precluded from presenting the assets gross on our balance sheet and instead should be treating our net investment in such assets as a derivative. If it is determined that these transactions should be treated as an investment in derivatives, the derivative instruments entered into by us to hedge our interest rate exposure with respect to the borrowings under the associated repurchase agreements may no longer qualify for hedge accounting, and would then, as with the underlying asset transaction, also be marked to market through the income statement. This potential change in accounting treatment does not affect the economics of the transactions but does affect how the transactions would be reported on our consolidated financial statements. Our cash flows, liquidity and ability to pay a dividend would be unchanged, and we do not believe our REIT taxable income or REIT tax status would be affected. Our net equity would not be materially affected. As of June 30, 2006, we have identified available for sale securities with a fair value of approximately \$13,097 that had been purchased from and financed with reverse repurchase agreements totaling \$10,726 with the same counterparties since their purchase. If we were to change the current accounting treatment for these transactions as of June 30, 2006, our total assets and total liabilities would be reduced by approximately \$10,726.

In July 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes* ("FIN 48"). This interpretation, among other things, creates a two-step approach for evaluating uncertain tax positions. Recognition (step one) occurs when an enterprise concludes that a tax position, based solely on its technical merits, is more-likely-than-not to be sustained upon examination. Measurement (step two) determines the amount of benefit that more-likely-than-not will be realized upon settlement. Derecognition of a tax position that was previously recognized would occur when a company subsequently determines that a tax position no longer meets the more-likely-than-not threshold of being sustained. FIN 48 specifically prohibits the use of a valuation allowance as a substitute for derecognition of tax positions, and it has expanded disclosure requirements. FIN 48 is effective for fiscal years

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES — (Continued)

beginning after December 15, 2006, in which the impact of adoption should be accounted for as a cumulative-effect adjustment to the beginning balance of retained earnings. We currently are evaluating the effect, if any, that this pronouncement will have on our future financial results.

## Presentation

Certain reclassifications have been made in the presentation of the prior periods consolidated financial statements to conform to the June 2006 presentation.

## 3. AVAILABLE FOR SALE SECURITIES

Our available for sale securities are carried at their estimated fair values. The amortized cost and estimated fair values of our available for sale securities as of June 30, 2006 are summarized as follows:

Security Description	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
CMBS	\$ 312,594	\$1,219	\$(10,749)	\$ 303,064
Residential MBS-Non-Agency ARMs	549,360	3,835	(10,908)	542,287
Residential MBS-Agency ARMs	1,824,847	24	(32,256)	1,792,615
ABS	48,786	2,028	(486)	50,328
Preferred stock	4,852		(218)	4,634
Total	\$2,740,439	<u>\$7,106</u>	<u>\$(54,617</u> )	\$2,692,928

As of June 30, 2006, we pledged an aggregate of \$2,380,048 and \$248,007 in estimated fair value of our available for sale securities to secure our repurchase agreements and collateralized debt obligations, respectively.

As of June 30, 2006, the aggregate estimated fair values by underlying credit rating of our available for sale securities were as follows:

Security Rating	Estimated Fair Value	Percentage
AAA	\$2,015,604	74.85%
AA		
A	60,945	2.26
BBB	•	9.24
BB		7.22
B		4.25
Not rated		2.18
Total	\$2,692,928	100.00%

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## 3. AVAILABLE FOR SALE SECURITIES — (Continued)

As of June 30, 2006, the face amount and net unearned discount on our investments was as follows:

## **Description:**

Face amount	\$2,985,231
Net unearned discount	244,792
Amortized cost	\$2,740,439

For the six months ended June 30, 2006 and the period ended June 30, 2005, \$4,093 and \$941, respectively, of net discount on available for sale securities was accreted into interest income.

## **Unrealized Losses**

The following table sets forth the amortized cost, fair value and unrealized loss for securities we owned as of June 30, 2006:

Security Rating	Number of Securities	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss
AAA	95	\$1,993,965	\$1,956,687	\$37,278
AA	_			
A	1	2,550	2,543	7
BBB	38	197,854	192,986	4,868
BB	45	172,037	165,224	6,813
В	37	64,851	61,359	3,492
Not rated	_24	35,914	33,755	2,159
Total	<u>240</u>	\$2,467,171	\$2,412,554	\$54,617

As of June 30, 2006, we held 137 securities, with unrealized losses totaling \$25,628, that we acquired within 12 months of June 30, 2006. The remaining 103 securities, with unrealized losses totaling \$28,989, were acquired more than 12 months prior to June 30, 2006. The unrealized losses on all securities were the result of changes in market interest rates subsequent to their purchase. The unrealized losses on non-rated bonds were also due to market conditions and price volatility. Because we have the ability and intent to hold these investments until a recovery of fair value, which may be maturity, we do not consider these investments to be other than temporarily impaired at June 30, 2006.

## Other Than Temporary Impairments

As of June 30, 2006, we held six Agency ARMS and two CMBS securities that we determined to be other than temporarily impaired. In connection with the impairment of these Agency ARMS and CMBS, we recorded impairment charges of \$5,666 and \$6,924 in our statement of income for the three months ended June 30, 2006 and the six months ended June 30, 2006, respectively, that has been reclassified out of other comprehensive income. We have determined that the impairment with respect to the six Agency ARMS and one of the

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## 3. AVAILABLE FOR SALE SECURITIES — (Continued)

CMBS securities in the amount of \$4,746 and \$6,004 for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2006, respectively, was other than temporary as we expect to sell these securities in the near future at a loss. Subsequent to June 30, 2006, we have sold four of the six Agency ARMS and the two CMBS securities that were so impaired. As of June 30, 2006, as part of our periodic surveillance of the underlying value of the collateral securing our CMBS investments, we revalued two of the underlying loans in the collateral securing a CMBS security that resulted in a credit impairment charge for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2006 in the amount of \$920 and \$920, respectively.

## Sale of Available for Sale Securities

During the six months ended June 30, 2006, we sold one security for proceeds of \$3,263 realizing a gain of \$327 and we sold eight securities for proceeds of \$293,647 (of which \$114,429 is due from broker as of June 30, 2006) realizing a loss of \$1,995.

## 4. REAL ESTATE LOANS

During the first six months of 2006, we received payments in respect of real estate loan redemptions and principal repayments totaling \$16,000, including the redemption in full in February 2006 of one of our B Notes that had a carrying value of \$15,910 at December 31, 2005. In addition, during the first six months of 2006, we provided additional advances under construction loans of \$2,587 and made a delayed funding on a real estate loan of \$4,339.

As of June 30, 2006, our real estate loan portfolio had a total face value of \$135,343 and a total carrying value of \$135,361. The carrying value of our real estate loans at June 30, 2006 includes unamortized underwriting fees of \$18. As of June 30, 2006, we pledged an aggregate of \$62,085 and \$33,000 in face value of our real estate loans to secure our repurchase agreements and collateralized debt obligations, respectively. At such date, our real estate loans included non-US dollar denominated assets with a carrying value of \$44,791.

## 5. DEBT AND OTHER FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS

The following is a summary of our debt as of June 30, 2006:

## Type of Debt:

Repurchase agreements	\$2,439,496
Repurchase agreements, related party	
Revolving credit facility	<del></del>
Collateralized debt obligations	
Total Debt	\$2,707,633

## Repurchase Agreements

As of June 30, 2006, we had entered into 17 master repurchase agreements with various counterparties to finance our asset purchases on a short term basis. Under these agreements, we sell our assets to the counterparties and agree to repurchase those assets on a date certain

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## 5. DEBT AND OTHER FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS — (Continued)

at a repurchase price generally equal to the original sales price plus accrued but unpaid interest. The counterparties will purchase each asset financed under the facility at a percentage of the asset's value on the date of origination, which is the purchase rate, and we will pay interest to the counterparty at short term interest rates (usually based on one-month LIBOR) plus a pricing spread. We have agreed to a schedule of purchase rates and pricing spreads with these counterparties that generally are based upon the class and credit rating of the asset being financed. The facilities are recourse to us. For financial reporting purposes, we characterize all of the borrowings under these facilities as balance sheet financing transactions.

Under the repurchase agreements, we are required to maintain adequate collateral with these counterparties. If the market value of the collateral we have pledged declines, then the counterparty may require us to provide additional collateral to secure our obligations under the repurchase agreement. As of June 30, 2006, we were required to provide additional collateral in the amount of \$78,490, which is classified as restricted cash on the balance sheet.

As of June 30, 2006, we had repurchase agreements outstanding in the amount of \$2,496,730 with a weighted-average borrowing rate of 5.24%. As of June 30, 2006, the

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## 5. DEBT AND OTHER FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS — (Continued)

repurchase agreements had remaining weighted-average maturities of 55 days and are summarized below:

Repurchase Counterparty	Outstanding Balance	Fair Value of Collateral	Weighted- Average Borrowing Rate	Maturity Range (days)
Related Party				<del></del> -
Trilon International, Inc	\$ 57,234	\$ 62,089	5.48%	26-28
Unrelated Parties				
Banc of America Securities	101 01F	100 170	5.15	7-47
LLC	191,815	199,170		
Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc	310,809	328,689	5.19	7-47
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.	171,837	177,062	5.27	40-81
Credit Suisse First Boston LLC	343,180	368,764	5.20	7-76
Deutsche Bank Securities Inc	318,286	328,305	5.10	24-55
Greenwich Capital Markets, Inc	220,191	226,434	5.26	40-76
Lehman Brothers Inc	186,270	200,363	5.14	7-12
Merrill Lynch, Pierce,				
Fenner & Smith Incorporated	243,044	253,266	5.17	24-81
Morgan Stanley & Co., Incorporated	171,139	176,986	5.15	7-40
Wachovia Bank, National Association	119,207	169,073	6.23	413
Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC	29,494	33,248	5.48	7-76
WaMu Capital Corp	134,224	139,363	5.24	7-69
	2,439,496	2,600,723		
Total	\$2,496,730	\$2,662,812	5.24%	7-413

As of June 30, 2006, the maturity ranges of our outstanding repurchase agreements segregated by our available for sale securities and real estate loans are as follows:

	Up to 30 days	31 to 90 days	Over 90 days	Total	
Agency RMBS	\$ 936,075	\$ 974,127	\$ —	\$1,910,202	
Non-agency RMBS	132,356	127,908	70,389	330,653	
CMBS	72,605	33,242	31,394	137,241	
ABS	24,277	19,700	17,423	61,400	
Real estate loans	57,234			57,234	
Total	\$1,222,547	<u>\$1,154,977</u>	<u>\$119,206</u>	<u>\$2,496,730</u>	

## 5. DEBT AND OTHER FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS — (Continued)

In August 2005, we entered into a \$200,000 Master Repurchase Agreement (the "Master Repurchase Agreement") with Wachovia Bank (the "Bank"). The Master Repurchase Agreement is for a two year term (expires August 2007) with a one year renewal option at the Bank's discretion. Subject to the terms and conditions thereof, the Master Repurchase Agreement provides for the purchase, sale and repurchase of commercial and residential mortgage loans, commercial mezzanine loans, B Notes, participation interests in the foregoing, commercial mortgage-backed securities and other mutually agreed upon collateral and bears interest at varying rates over LIBOR based upon the type of asset included in the repurchase obligation. In November 2005, the Bank increased the borrowing capacity to \$275,000. As of June 30, 2006, the unused amount under the Master Repurchase Agreement is \$155,793.

## Collateralized Debt Obligations ("CDOs")

In November 2005, we issued approximately \$377,904 of CDOs through two newly-formed subsidiaries, Crystal River Capital CDO 2005-1 Ltd., or the Issuer, and Crystal River Capital CDO 2005-1 LLC, or the Co-Issuer. The CDO consists of \$227,500 of investment grade notes and \$67,750 of non-investment grade notes, which were co-issued by the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, and \$82,654 of preference shares, which were issued by the Issuer. We retained all of the non-investment grade securities, the preference shares and the common shares in the Issuer. The issuer holds assets, consisting primarily of whole loans, CMBS and RMBS securities, which serve as collateral for the CDO. Investment grade notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$217,500 were issued with floating coupons with a combined weighted average interest rate of three-month LIBOR plus 0.58%. In addition, \$10,000 of investment grade notes were issued with a fixed coupon rate of 6.02%. The CDO may be replenished, pursuant to certain rating agency guidelines relating to credit quality and diversification, with substitute collateral for loans that are repaid during the first five years of the CDO. Thereafter, the CDO securities will be retired in sequential order from the senior-most to junior-most as loans are repaid. We incurred approximately \$5,906 of issuance costs, which is amortized over the average life of the CDO. The Issuer and Co-Issuer are consolidated in our financial statements. The investment grade notes are treated as a secured financing, and are non recourse to us. Proceeds from the sale of the investment grade notes issued were used to repay outstanding debt under our repurchase agreements. The CDO was collateralized by available for sale securities with fair values of \$248,081 and real estate loans with carrying values of \$33,009 as of June 30, 2006.

## Note Payable, Related Party

In August 2005, we borrowed \$35,000 from an affiliate of our Manager for 90 days on an unsecured basis. In November 2005, we extended the loan an additional 90 days. The note bore interest at the fixed rate of 5.59% per annum and it matured on February 13, 2006. Interest expense on this note was \$239 for the six months ended June 30, 2006. The note was repaid at maturity.

## 5. DEBT AND OTHER FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS — (Continued)

## Revolving Credit Facility

In March 2006, we entered into an unsecured credit facility with Signature Bank that provides for borrowings of up to \$31,000 in the aggregate. The credit facility expires in March 2009. The credit facility provides for monthly repayments of all amounts due. Borrowings under the credit facility bear interest at a rate equal to the bank's prime interest rate or 1.75% over LIBOR. We had no amounts outstanding under this credit facility at June 30, 2006.

Certain of our repurchase agreements and our revolving credit facility contain financial covenants, including maintaining our REIT status and maintaining a specific net asset value or worth. As of June 30, 2006, with respect to two debt obligations, we failed to meet certain financial covenants including an interest expense coverage ratio. We obtained waivers with respect to all financial covenants which were not met. As a result, we were in compliance with or have obtained the necessary waivers with respect to all our financial covenants as of June 30, 2006.

## 6. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

We invest in real estate construction loans. We had outstanding commitments to fund real estate construction loans in the aggregate of \$24,050 as of June 30, 2006. At June 30, 2006, we had made advances totaling \$21,369 under these commitments.

## 7. RISK MANAGEMENT TRANSACTIONS

As of June 30, 2006, we had interest rate swap open positions with notional amounts of \$1,448,517 (including an interest rate swap with a notional amount of \$53,084 in our CDO) with a fair value of \$34,458, which are reported as derivative assets on our balance sheet. Also, included in derivative assets at June 30, 2006 are credit default swaps with a fair value of \$1,396. Included in derivative liabilities as of June 30, 2006 is a Canadian foreign currency swap with a fair value of \$329 and accrued interest payable on open swap positions of \$6,246. At June 30, 2006, we had not hedged repurchase agreements totaling \$1,144,230.

The change in unrealized gains of interest rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges are separately disclosed in the statement of changes in stockholders' equity. For the six months ended June 30, 2006, unrealized gains aggregating \$19,604 on cash flow hedges were recorded in other comprehensive income. The realized gain on settled swaps in the amount of \$67 is being amortized into income through interest expense for the six months ended June 30, 2006. As of June 30, 2006, such cumulative amortized amounts totaled \$83. The unamortized balance of \$1,007 is deferred as a component of other comprehensive income. The unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives recorded in the statement of income for the three months ended June 30, 2006, the six months ended June 30, 2006, the three months ended June 30, 2005 and the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005 related to hedge ineffectiveness was \$190, \$251, \$(5) and \$(5), respectively. The amount recognized in the statement of income for the three months ended June 30, 2006, the six months ended June 30, 2006, the three months ended June 30, 2005 and the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005 related to economic hedges not designated for hedge accounting was an unrealized gain (loss) of \$726, \$2,349, \$(4,480) and \$(4,285), respectively. Realized losses on the settlement of swaps for the period March 15,

## 7. RISK MANAGEMENT TRANSACTIONS — (Continued)

2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005 was \$80. The amount recognized in the statement of income for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2006 related to foreign currency swaps was a realized and unrealized loss of \$2,112 and \$870, respectively. The amount recognized in the statement of income for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2006 related to credit default swaps was an unrealized gain of \$347 and \$4,989, respectively, and premiums earned on those credit default swaps for the same periods of \$369 and \$731, respectively.

Interest income (expense) on derivative instruments of \$3,101, \$3,682, \$(1,437) and \$(1,437) is included as a component of interest expense on the statement of income for the three months ended June 30, 2006, the six months ended June 30, 2006, the three months ended June 30, 2005 and the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005, respectively.

## 8. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

In March 2005, we completed the Private Offering in which we sold 17,400,000 shares of common stock, \$0.001 par value, at an offering price of \$25 per share, including the purchase of 400,000 shares of common stock by the initial purchasers/placement agents pursuant to an over-allotment option. We received proceeds from these transactions in the amount of \$405,613, net of underwriting commissions, placement agent fees and other offering costs totaling \$29,387. Each share of common stock entitles its holder to one vote per share. Officers, directors and entities affiliated with our Manager owned 977,800 shares of our common stock as of June 30, 2006.

In March 2005, we adopted a Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") which provides for awards under the Plan in the form of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted and unrestricted stock awards, restricted stock units, deferred stock units and other performance awards. Our Manager and our officers, employees, directors, advisors and consultants who provide services to us are eligible to receive awards under the Plan. The Plan has a term of ten years and, based on awards since adoption, limits awards through June 30, 2006 to a maximum of 1,748,750 shares of common stock. For subsequent periods, the maximum number of shares of common stock that may be subject to awards granted under the Plan can increase by ten percent of the difference between the number of shares of common stock outstanding at the end of the current calendar year and the prior calendar year. In no event will the total number of shares that can be issued under the Plan exceed 10,000,000.

In connection with the Plan, a total of 84,000 shares of restricted common stock and 126,000 stock options (exercise price of \$25 per share) were granted to our Manager in March 2005. The Manager subsequently transferred these shares and options to certain of its officers and employees, certain of our directors and other individuals associated with our Manager who provide services to us. The restrictions on the restricted common stock lapse and full rights of ownership vest for one-third of the restricted shares and options on each of the first three anniversary dates of issuance. Vesting is predicated on the continuing involvement of our Manager in providing services to us. In addition, 3,500 shares of unrestricted stock were granted to the independent members of our board of directors in March 2005 in lieu of cash

## 8. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN — (Continued)

remunerations. The independent members of our board of directors fully vested in the shares at the date of grant.

For the six months ending June 30, 2006, we issued a total of 36,000 shares of restricted common stock. Of this amount, 30,000 shares were issued to one of our senior executives. The restrictions on the restricted common stock lapse and full rights of ownership vest for one-third of the restricted shares on each of the first three anniversary dates of issuance. The remaining 6,000 shares of restricted common stock were granted to an independent member of our board of directors and one of our Manager's employees. The director vested one-third immediately and will vest in the remaining shares ratably on the second and third anniversary dates of issuance and the Manager's employee will vest ratably on the first, second and third anniversary dates of issuance. In addition, for the six months ending June 30, 2006, we have issued 9,876 deferred stock units to certain other independent members of our board of directors. Of this amount, 3,876 deferred stock units were issued in lieu of cash remunerations. These independent members of our board of directors fully vested in these units at the date of grant. The remaining 6,000 deferred stock units became one-third vested to the members of our board of directors immediately and will vest in the remaining units ratably on the second and third anniversary dates of issuance. In August 2006, one of our Manager's employees who owned 4,000 shares of restricted common stock resigned prior to the vesting of any of such shares. In accordance with the agreement pursuant to which those shares were issued, upon his resignation, those shares of restricted common stock were forfeited back to us.

In March 2006, we granted 4,000 stock options (exercise price of \$25 per share) to one of our directors.

The fair value of the shares of the restricted stock issued to our Manager, directors and employees of our Manager's affiliates as of June 30, 2006 was \$2,880 and the fair value of the stock options granted as of June 30, 2006 was \$257 (\$1.98 per share). The fair value of our stock options and restricted shares was determined contemporaneously. For the three months ended June 30, 2006, the six months ended June 30, 2006, the three months ended June 30, 2005 and the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005, \$258, \$500, \$199 and \$232, respectively, was expensed relating to the amortization of the restricted stock and the stock options. For the three months ended June 30, 2006 and the six months ended June 30, 2006, \$57 and \$153, respectively, was expensed relating to the amortization of deferred stock units. The fair value of the stock options granted was estimated using a Binomial option-pricing model with the following weighted-average assumptions as of June 30, 2006: dividend yield of 10.94%, expected volatility of 22%, risk-free interest rate of 5%; and the expected life of the options of six years. Option valuation models require the input of highly subjective assumptions including the expected stock price volatility. Our stock options have characteristics that are significantly different from those of traded options and changes in the subjective input assumptions could materially affect the fair value estimate.

## 9. FINANCIAL RISKS

We are subject to various risks, including credit, interest rate and market risk. We are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that our interest-bearing liabilities mature or re-price at different speeds, or different bases, than our interest-earning assets. Credit risk is the risk of

## 9. FINANCIAL RISKS — (Continued)

default on our investments that result in a counterparty's failure to make payments according to the terms of the contract.

Market risk reflects changes in the value of the securities and real estate loans due to changes in interest rates or other market factors, including the rate of prepayments of principal and the value of the collateral underlying our available for sale securities and real estate loans.

## 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

We have entered into a management agreement (as amended, the "Agreement") with our Manager. The initial term of the Agreement expires in December 2008. After the initial term, the Agreement will be automatically renewed for a one-year term each anniversary date thereafter unless we or our Manager terminates the Agreement. The Agreement provides that our Manager will provide us with investment management services and certain administrative services and will perform our day to day operations. The monthly base management fee for such services is equal to 1.5% of one-twelfth of our equity, as defined in the Agreement, payable in arrears.

In addition, under the Agreement, our Manager earns a quarterly incentive fee equal to 25% of the amount by which the quarterly net income per share, as defined in the Agreement (principally excludes the effect of stock compensation and the unrealized change in derivatives), exceeds an amount equal to the product of the weighted average offering price per share multiplied by the higher of (i) 2.4375% or (ii) 25% of the then applicable ten-year Treasury note rate plus 0.50%, multiplied by the then weighted average number of outstanding shares for the quarter. The incentive fee is paid quarterly. The Agreement provides that 10% of the incentive management fee is to be paid in shares of our common stock (providing that such payment does not result in our Manager owning directly or indirectly more than 9.8% of our issued and outstanding common stock) and the balance is to be paid in cash. Our Manager may, at its sole discretion, elect to receive a greater percentage of its incentive management fee in shares of our common stock. No incentive management fees were incurred during the six months ended June 30, 2006 or the period ended June 30, 2005.

The Agreement may be terminated upon the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the independent members of our board of directors after the expiration of the initial term and by providing at least 180 days prior notice based upon either: (i) unsatisfactory performance by our Manager that is materially detrimental to us, or (ii) a determination by the independent members of our board of directors that the management fees payable to our Manager are not fair (subject to our Manager's right to prevent a compensation termination by accepting a mutually acceptable reduction of the management fees). If we terminate the Agreement, then we must pay our Manager a termination fee equal to twice the sum of the average annual base and incentive fees earned by our Manager during the two twelve-month periods immediately preceding the date of termination, calculated as of the end of the most recently completed fiscal quarter prior to the date of termination.

We issued to our Manager 84,000 shares of our restricted common stock and granted options to purchase 126,000 shares of our common stock for a ten year period at a price of \$25 per share in March 2005. We issued to one of our executive officers 30,000 shares of

## 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS — (Continued)

restricted common stock in March 2006 and we issued to one of our Manager's employees 4,000 shares of restricted stock in June 2006. The restricted stock and the options vest over a three year period. For the three months ended June 30, 2006, the six months ended June 30, 2006, the three months ended June 30, 2005 and the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005, the base management expense is \$1,382, \$2,837, \$1,550 and \$1,837, respectively, all of which remained unpaid as of the end of the respective periods. Included in the management fee expense for the three months ended June 30, 2006, the six months ended June 30, 2006, the three months ended June 30, 2005 and the period March 15, 2005 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 2005 is \$253, \$475, \$199 and \$232 of amortization of stock-based compensation related to restricted stock and options granted. The amount due to Manager at June 30, 2006 includes \$486 in respect of management fees due at December 31, 2005.

The Agreement provides that we are required to reimburse our Manager for certain expenses incurred by our Manager on our behalf provided that such costs and reimbursements are no greater than that which would be paid to outside professionals or consultants on an arm's length basis. For the six months ended June 30, 2006 and the period ended June 30, 2005, we did not incur any reimbursable costs due to our Manager.

We and our Manager have entered into sub-advisory agreements with other affiliated entities and the fees payable under such agreements will be paid from any management fees earned by our Manager. In addition, certain of these affiliated sub-advisory entities have introduced investments to us for purchase in the amount of \$2,500 during the six months ended June 30, 2006. The purchase price was determined at arm's length and the acquisition was approved in advance by the independent members of our board of directors.

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## 11. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the calculation of Basic and Diluted EPS for the six months ended June 30, 2006 and the period ended June 30, 2005 (in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

	Six Mon	Six Months Ended June 30, 2006		Period Ended June 30, 2005		
	Net Income	Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	Per Share Amount	Net Income	Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	Per Share Amount
Basic EPS:						
Net earnings per share of common stock	\$21,452	17,511,937	\$1.22	\$437	17,487,500	\$0.02
Effect of Dilutive Securities:						
Options outstanding for the purchase of common stock				_		
Diluted EPS:						
Net earnings per share of common stock and assumed	·					
conversions	<u>\$21,452</u>	17,511,937	\$1.22	<u>\$437</u>	17,487,500	\$0.02

## Crystal River Capital, Inc. and Subsidiaries Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements June 30, 2006

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## 11. EARNINGS PER SHARE — (Continued)

The following table sets forth the calculation of Basic and Diluted EPS for the three months ended June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2005 (in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2006		Three Months Ended June 30, 2005			
	Net Income	Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	Per Share Amount	Net Income	Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	Per Share Amount
Basic EPS:						
Net earnings per share of common stock	\$6,008	17,528,607	<u>\$0.34</u>	\$315	17,487,500	\$0.02
Effect of Dilutive Securities:						
Options outstanding for the purchase of common stock						
Diluted EPS:						
Net earnings per share of common stock and assumed						
conversions	<u>\$6,008</u>	<u>17,528,607</u>	<u>\$0.34</u>	<u>\$315</u>	<u>17,487,500</u>	<u>\$0.02</u>

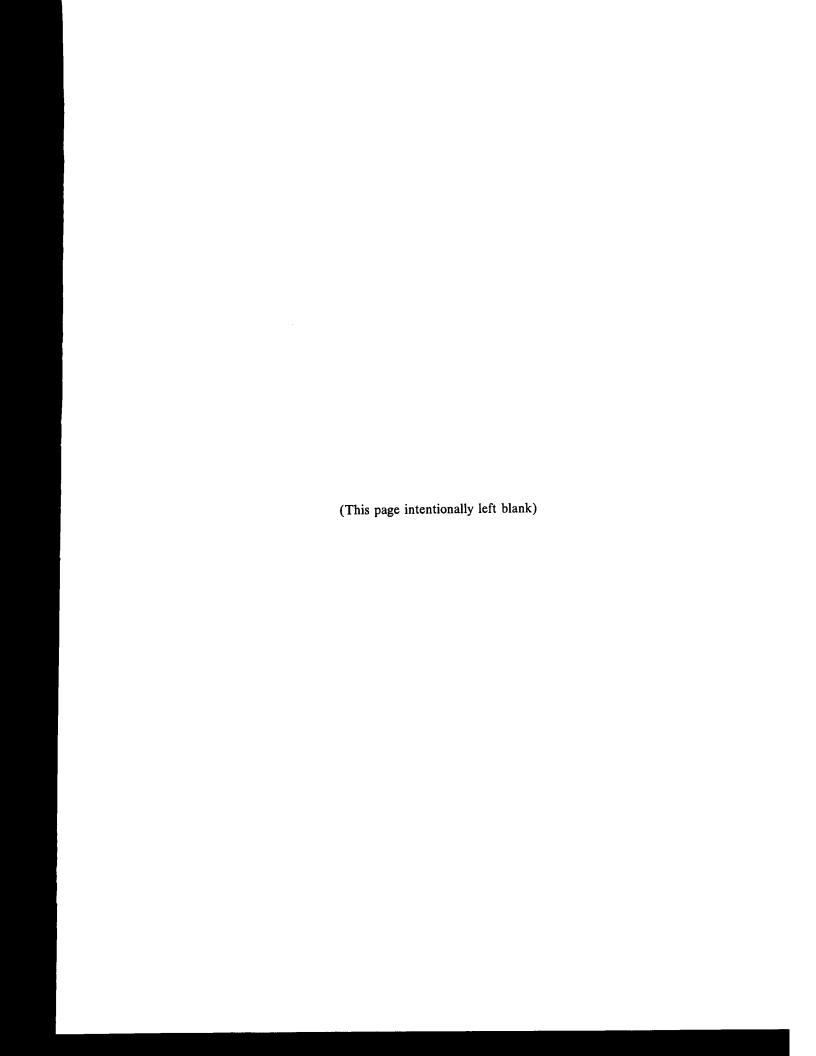
## 12. INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING

In August 2006, we completed the initial public offering of our common stock, in which we sold 7,500,000 shares of common stock, \$0.001 par value, at an offering price of \$23 per share. We received proceeds from this transaction in the amount of \$162,409, net of underwriting commissions and discounts but before other offering costs. Each share of common stock entitles its holder to one vote per share. An affiliate of the parent of our Manager purchased 1,000,000 shares of our common stock in our initial public offering. After the transaction, our outstanding shares totaled 25,019,500.

## 13. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On June 23, 2006, we declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.725 per share, which was paid on July 21, 2006 to our stockholders of record as of June 30, 2006.

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### **SHAREHOLDERS**

There were approximately 16 registered holders of common stock as of October 4, 2006.

## CORPORATE INFORMATION FORM 10-K AVAILABILITY

The Company completed its initial public offering in August of 2006 and is not required to file an Annual Report on Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission until March 2007. Accordingly, the Company has not filed an Annual Report on Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission. All investor inquiries from individuals and institutional investors should be directed to:

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The Securities and Exchange Commission also maintains a website that contains reports, proxy information and statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The website address is <a href="www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>. The Company files electronically.

The certifications required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 have been signed by the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and filed as exhibits to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 filed on September 11, 2006.

The Company's Section 12(a) certification to the New York Stock Exchange will be submitted in December of 2006.

## **COMMON STOCK**

The Company's common stock is listed for trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), ticker symbol CRZ. The Company's common stock did not begin trading until July 28, 2006.

untii July 28, 2000.	DIVIDENDS	HIGH TRADING PRICE	LOW TRADING PRICE
2006 1st Quarter 2nd Quarter 3rd Quarter (prices from July 28, 2006 to September 30, 2006) 4th Quarter (through October 4, 2006)	\$0.725 \$0.725 \$0.600	N/A N/A \$23.00 \$22.80	N/A N/A \$21.30 \$22.01
2005 1st Quarter 2nd Quarter 3rd Quarter 4th Quarter	\$0.000 \$0.250 \$0.575 \$0.725	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A